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• "LITTLE LORD FAUNTLEROY."
A UNITED ARTISTS RELEASE

BIG ADVANCES CLAIMED BY REBEL FORCES

SWEEPING SUCCESSES REPORTED IN NEW OFFENSIVE

Paris, To-day.

The long-awaited offensive by the Spanish rebels appears to have begun both south-east and north of Madrid, according to reports appearing in the newspapers here.

THE OBJECT OF THIS NEW ATTACK, SAYS INSURGENT HEADQUARTERS, IS TO CUT OFF MADRID'S REMAINING LINES OF COMMUNICATION WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

FAMOUS PEOPLE ABOARD EMP. OF BRITAIN

Countess Of Cowley And
Lady Patricia
Wellesley

AND SYD CHAPLIN

Princess Lydia Donskaia, of Ascot, the Countess of Cowley and her daughter, Lady Patricia Wellesley, are among the prominent people aboard the giant round-the-world liner, Empress of Britain, which is due to arrive in Hong Kong on March 21.

Altogether she is carrying some 425 passengers—a mixed crowd of aristocrats, retired industrial and business magnates, journalists, medical men and scientists, and an actor or two—while 432 members of the crew of the ship look after the needs of the passengers out of a total crew of 673.

One noted traveller is Syd Chaplin, famous comedian of the silent films and brother of Charles Chaplin, whose wife died recently. This bereavement has partly been responsible for the holiday tour which he is making on the Empress of Britain. He is seeking rest and quiet.

Prominent Passengers

Prominent passengers on board include:—

Mr. John M. Lewis, the President of the Illinois Glass Co., the National Distilleries and other companies in the U.S.A.; Sir Harry Price, the Managing Director of Prices Tailors Ltd., and associated companies of Yorkshire, England; Conte R. de Rougement, of Paris; Mr. J. A. Paulhus, the past President of the Montreal and Dominion Chambers of Commerce and Dominion Fisheries, Canada; Mr. A. L. Shuman, the Vice-President and advertising director of the Fort Worth Star Telegram, Texas, who has been appointed as "Goodwill Ambassador" to all Rotary Clubs by special commission; Mrs. B. M. Tredwell, partner of Messrs. H. Woolman, horticulturists, of England, who is making a study of horticulture in various countries; Mr. George D'Draper, of San Pedro; Sir Fredrick and Lady Butterfield, the latter being interested in maternity and welfare work throughout the world; Lady Sassoon, of London; and Mr. Charles R. Michael, the Washington Correspondent for the "New York Times" and political Editor.

General Franco claims that his new drive is meeting with success and that the Government forces are suffering heavy losses.

A communique issued by his headquarters states:

"A decisive defeat was inflicted on the enemy at Cogenas, south-east of Madrid yesterday, as a result of which the enemy were forced to evacuate their positions at Algora and Mirabuno.

"Heavy losses were suffered by the enemy, who also lost many prisoners.

Fifteen-Mile Advance

"Our advance was supported by several squadrons of cavalry, who carried out an encircling movement and occupied the village of Guanala and then threw out light patrols in the direction of the capital.

"By 1 o'clock our troops had advanced their positions fifteen miles.

"Another victory was gained at Almadronas, after which we pushed on and captured several other villages, in spite of a desperate resistance by the enemy.

And 25 Miles

"In the Jarama River sector we have advanced 25 miles. We have occupied the Henaras Valley and are threatening the enemy's left flank.

"Several strongly fortified systems fell into our hands." — Trans-Ocean.

MADRID ADMITS RETREAT HEAVY REBEL ATTACKS

Madrid, To-day.

After a day of terrific fighting on the Guadajard front the Government forces are giving way before the pressure exerted by an overwhelmingly superior force. The main attack took place on the north-east front before Madrid.

The Government forces were also forced to retreat on the front before Cogollos Veia.

On this front the "insurgents continue to advance," says a communique issued by the Madrid Defence Council.—Reuter.

The French steam trawler Esperance, disabled by engine trouble outside Newhaven, was towed into harbour by a tug.

THE WORLD GOES BY

IN keeping with the general trend towards modernisation of police forces and prison staffs, Hong Kong is organising a flying squad at Stanley Gaol.

Government are spending \$110 on two bicycles for warders in the prison to go on patrols.

This amazing development is bound to be followed by the prisons of other Far Eastern cities in order to cope with the desperate criminals under their charge.

However, I have some fault to find with this praiseworthy attempt on the part of Government to introduce a snappy atmosphere in prison routine.

I make these two suggestions.

1. Wardens should be provided with roller skates.

Not only would these cost the Colony less but they would be far more effective.

After all, not even a Stanley Gaol warder can ride a bicycle through prison corridors, into cells, onto the roof to chase escaped prisoners.

But with roller skates all manner of things are possible. You can go anywhere and do anything on them and the possibilities if this innovation were to be introduced are simply boundless.

A flying squad on roller skates would create a sensation and the sums of money brought into the Colony by the flood of tourists which would be sure to follow, would more than compensate for any cracked skulls and other portions of the anatomy suffered by the prison staff.

2. Wardens should be provided with skis.

This would be quite useless and so should be given the earnest attention of Government.

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After having given birth to fourteen children in twelve years, a German woman has now presented her husband with three healthy boys.—*News item.*

There is no truth in the rumour that several of our European dictators have offered her the position of official lecturer.

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An 81-year-old swineherd in Hungary claims to have the world's longest moustache. It measures twenty-eight inches. He oils the fearsome thing twice every day and sleeps with it wound round a ramshorn to keep it curled.

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France commended the British rearmament programme but it was only cricket to do so, since we are supporting their franc.

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An American court recently struggled with the problem "What is an infant?" Our idea was any one who could cry from 10 to 2 each night.

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The onion, it seems, is a variety of lily. Reference to a lily-like breath should make that ticklish problem easy for one's best friends.

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At one time Americans abroad were innocents who left a trail of gold dollars. That day is past, and they are as sophisticated as any European traveller.

Yes, they even expect to get their

Peerage For Mr. Stanley Baldwin?

AFTER GIVING UP PREMIERSHIP

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, will tender his resignation the week after the Coronation of King George.

So asserts the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The correspondent adds that the veteran Conservative statesman will then be raised to the peerage. — *Trans-Ocean.*

TUNIS UNREST CONTINUES

Natives Threatening Strikes

Paris, To-day.

The newspapers yesterday carried long accounts of the situation in Tunis, where sporadic trouble has been breaking out for several weeks.

Strikes are the latest worry of the authorities, the papers assert.

The European firms in Tunis are strongly opposed to granting their native workers the right to form trade unions, while the latter threaten to call a general strike unless their demands are met.—*Trans-Ocean.*

SHARP INCREASE IN MENINGITIS

Fifteen Cases Occur In A Week

Cerebro-spinal fever (meningitis) emerged as the most serious among notifiable diseases on the Colony's health register last week, when fifteen cases were reported, with three deaths.

Diphtheria shows a trifling decline, with ten new cases and three deaths.

Five typhoid and six dysentery cases were reported to the Health Officer last week.

Three More

In addition to the figures recorded above, official statistics show that three further cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis were reported to the health authorities on Monday. Two were from Victoria and one from Kowloon.

AUSTRALIA'S FEDERAL PROBLEM

Conference Planned

Canberra, To-day.

Following rejection of the amendments to the Commonwealth aviation laws, the Premier, Mr. J. A. Lyons, has decided to shortly call a conference to discuss adoption of uniform aviation laws and elimination of overlapping jurisdictions.

He agreed that the Commonwealth Government was powerless to assist marketing as excise bounty schemes were unacceptable by six States.—*Reuter.*

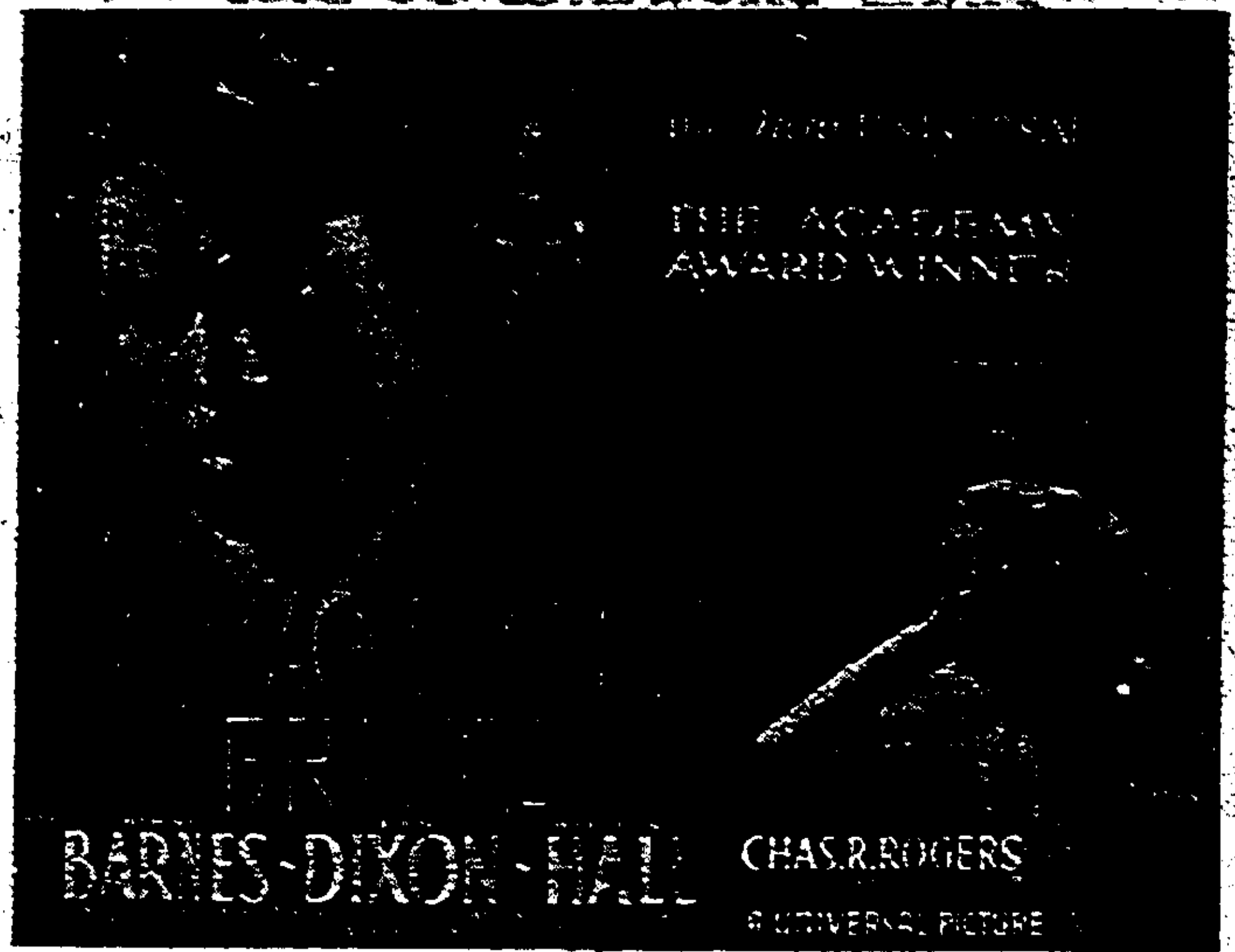
money's worth.

An aviator recently carried out a long-distance flight in a dinner coat. Probably the first time this feat has been achieved by other than a moth.

QUEENS

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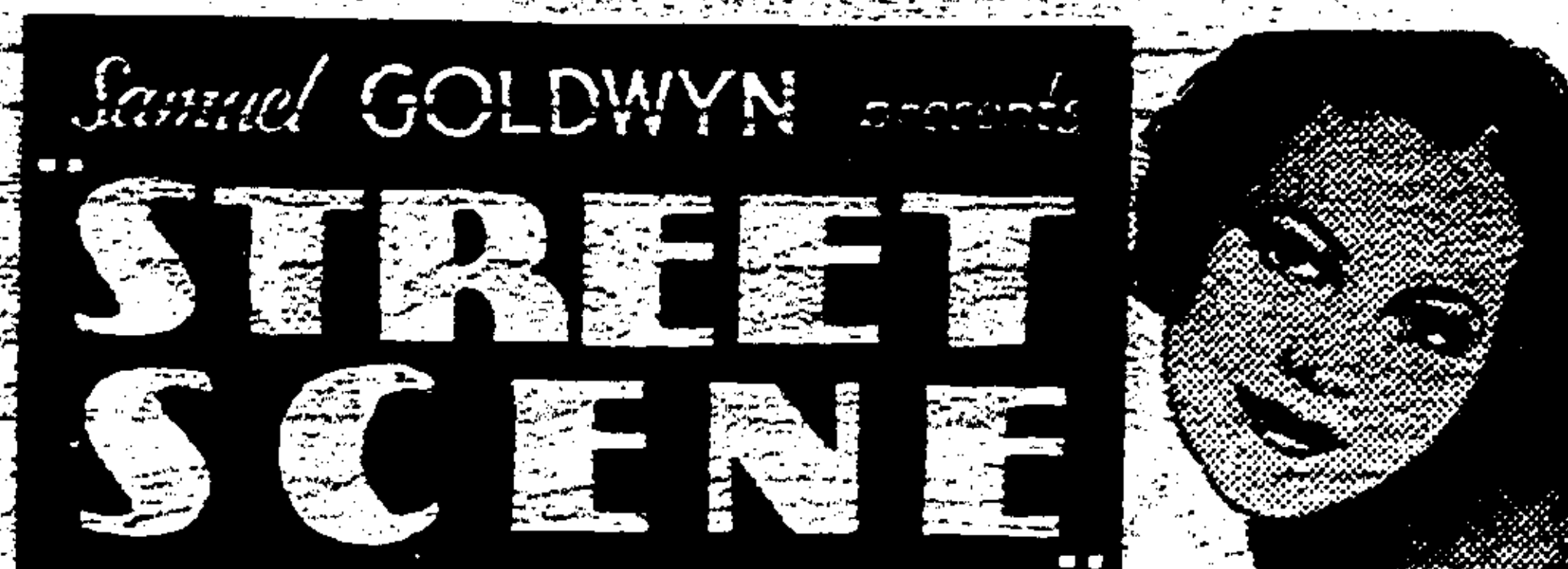
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REPULSE BAY LIDO'S SUCCESS

REALTY COMPANY MEETING

That the Lido paid its way last year despite frequently unfavourable weather conditions was announced by Mr. T. E. Pearce, presiding this morning at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Realty and Trust Company, Ltd.

In the course of his speech, Mr. Pearce stated that the profit for the year under review amounted to \$9,554.25, which, added to the amount of \$46,107.54 brought forward from the preceding year, makes available for appropriation the sum of \$55,661.80, which your Directors recommend be carried forward to next year's account.

The profit for 1936 is approximately \$14,000 lower than the previous year, in which connection perusal of the credit side of the profit and Loss Account shows that revenue by way of Dividends on Investments declined by \$4,000 on comparison with the year 1935; the absence of any mention of rents received is accounted for by the transference of such working income to its proper place and is included in the Balance of Working Account figure. Bank Interest charge increased by some \$6,300 due to the comparative higher overdraft carried throughout the year. Depreciation has increased by \$5,300 over the 1935 figure, which is attributable to the provision in that respect on the "Lido" Asset, a charge which now appears for the first time.

INVESTMENTS RISE

"Investments at Cost" appear at practically the same figure as that

last reported, but a marked appreciation is shown in the market values, the increase recorded in this connection being approximately \$221,000, indicative of the firmer tone which prevailed in the Local Share Market during the year under review.

With regard to the notation appearing in the Balance Sheet setting forth the expenditure to which the Company is committed in the amount of \$152,000 covering R. B. Lots 366 and 367, I would explain that of this amount, the sum of \$120,000 is in respect of Building covenant requirements and the balance of \$32,000 is payable as a contribution towards the cost of certain Government works—should such works be subsequently undertaken. In view, however, of the fact the Company has expended a sum far in excess of that stipulated in respect of R.B. Lot 368, it is the intention of your Board to apply to Government for a revision of the covenant attaching to R.B. Lots 366 and 367.

LIDO SUCCESS

The "Lido" at Repulse Bay has now experienced a full year's working, with the result that—apart from depreciation charges—the revenue accrued has been sufficient to meet the expenditure, a position which can be considered not unsatisfactory in the establishment of such an enterprise, particularly so as weather conditions at times during the past Summer precluded a full measure of patronage being accorded the resort. Charges were reduced during the Summer, and the prices now charged are extraordinarily reasonable for the accommodation provided and the excellent catering service available. Revenue in the Winter months has considerably exceeded that of the comparative months of last Winter, which would appear to indicate that the "Lido" is becoming better known to visitors passing through Hong Kong, resultant upon the extensive advertising efforts which the Company has made outside the Colony.

The Company's bungalows at Repulse Bay have been in great demand during 1936, and at times there has been a waiting list. This is mainly attributable to the vast improvements effected in the surroundings which become possible on completion of the Lido Scheme. As opportunities have occurred, thorough renovations have been carried out in these buildings, which also have had the effect of attracting tenants. In this connection I am pleased to add that the 1936 results show an increase of \$3,000 over the previous year's earnings.

Your Board regret that the result for the year under review does not permit any recommendation for a distribution to Shareholders. It is recognised that prevailing circumstances call for conservation of the Company's cash resources and make necessary the curtailment of expenditure where possible; in the latter relation measures already have been taken to reduce Administrative Expenses by \$5,000 for the current year, whilst your Directors have reduced their fees from \$1,000 to \$600 per annum.

Mr. T. E. Pearce was in the chair, supported by Hon. Sir Shou-Son Chow, Mr. John Fleming, Mr. P. K. Kwok, (Directors), Mr. J. H. Taggart (Managing Director) and Mr. F. C. Barry (Secretary).

The following shareholders were also present: Messrs. P. C. Potts, P. H. Suckling, C. C. Blake, E. M. D'Eca and E. Kitchell.

Mr. C. C. Blake seconded the adoption of the report and accounts were carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sir Shou-Son Chow and Mr. John Fleming were re-elected to the Board of Directors on the proposal of Mr. P. C. Potts and seconded by Mr. P. H. Suckling.

Messrs. Linstead and Davies were re-elected auditors for the coming year at the same remuneration as last year on the proposal of Mr. E. M. D'Eca and seconded by Mr. E. Kitchell.



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Today's Wireless

**Viscount Halifax
On "India"
London Talk**

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30—Light Opera and Musical Comedy.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03—Military Band Selections.
1.30—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40—Cinema Organ Medleys.
2 p.m.—Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7.11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—A Recital by Elena Gerhardt (Mezzo-Soprano) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra.
Orchestra—
"Don Giovanni"—Overture (Mozart)
Songs—
In Spring (Schubert),
(a) Der Musensohn (The Poet),
(b) Das Rosenband (The Rose Garland), (Schubert),
Orchestra—
"Hansel and Gretel" (Humperdinck)—Witches' Ride, Ginger Bread Waltz.
Songs—
Nachtigall.

Standchen (Brahms)
Orchestra—
Torch Dance No. 1, in B Flat Major (Meyerbeer)
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—Barnabas von Geczy and His Orchestra.
Pony (Rixner),
Ragamuffin (Rixner),
Fresh Breezes (Borchert),
In merry mood (Haringer),
Gipsy Wine (Ritter)
7.50 p.m.—From the Studio.
Fred Carpio and His Banjo
1. Lolly pops.
2. Ticklin' the strings.
3. Honeysuckle Rose.
4. Business in strings.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—A Variety Programme.
Instrumental—
Whispers at the Dance (from Meyer-Helmund's Lied)
Serge Krish Septet.
Songs—

You must have music,
Heaven in a song
Richard Tanber (Tenor).
Piano Solos—
Jan Kiepura Film Melodies.
Fred Stein.
Hawaiian—
Aloha Beloved
Kanui and Lula.
Orchestra—
"The Great Ziegfeld"—Selection
Maurice Winnick & His Orchestra.
Song—
Serenade in the night
The Street Singer.
Band—
On the beach at Bali-Bali
London Piano-Accordeon Band.
Orchestra—
Russian Gipsy Sketch
Tell me again
Alfredo and His Orchestra.
Humorous—
Little Audrey
Jay Wilbur and His Band.
Band—
When the swallows nest again
Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.
You can't pull the wool over my eyes.
Vocal—
When the moon hangs high
The Hill Billies.

Song—
Did I remember?
Dick Powell.
8.55 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.15 p.m.—London—"India"—A Talk by The Rt. Hon. Viscount Halifax (Electrical Recording).
9.30 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Light Concert by Gaston d'Aquino (Tenor), Albert A. Barton, (Baritone) and Olga Morgan (Pianoforte).
1. Song—
The gay highway (Drummond)
Albert Barton.
2. Song—
Secret love (Landon Ronald)
Gaston d'Aquino.
3. Duet—
Trees (Rasbach)
Gaston d'Aquino and Albert Barton.
4. Piano Solo—
Wedding day (Grieg)
Olga Morgan.
5. Song—
Jack Briton (W. H. Squire)
Albert Barton.
6. Song—
For you alone (Geethi)
Gaston d'Aquino.
7. Duet—
Watchman, what of the night
Gaston d'Aquino and Albert Barton.
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Swing Of Swings

Of the many things that one partner can do to infuriate the other none, perhaps, is so frightful as first to insist that he make a momentous decision and then, after he has made it, to take the opposite action. It is easy to understand why this should be so maddening. It is the insult direct, the ultimate slap in the face. It is as though one person were courteously to ask another for his opinion on a controversial subject and, when given it were to snort "Rats!" Neither bridge players nor human beings are apt to take kindly to such conduct.

South, dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

S 10 9

H A 4 3 2

D Q J 10

C J 10 8 5

WEST EAST

S K Q J 8 S None

7 5 4 3 2

H 8

H 9

D 7

D 9 8 6 5 4 3 2

C K 9

C 7 6 4 3 2

SOUTH

S A 6

H K Q J 10 7 6 5

D A K

C A Q

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2 H	4 S	5 H	Pass
6 H	6 S	Pass	Pass
6 no trump	7 S	7 no trump	Pass
Pass	Double	Pass	Pass
Redouble	Pass	Pass	Pass

The first two rounds of bidding were without a flaw. West, with his nine card suit, hardly could be blamed for attempting to sacrifice against what appeared to be a certain small slam for his vulnerable opponents. North's passing to six spade was the only proper course. Obviously, he already had described his hand by his five heart bid, and it now was up to the opening bidder to decide whether to go farther or to double the adverse bid. South made an excellent choice in bidding six no trump. He correctly diagnosed that seven hearts was not assured, and could see that a small slam at no trump was virtually certain. West made another desperate attempt to squash the slam by

sacrificing with seven spades, and now North reversed his former position diametrically with a bid that was little short of asinine. Certainly, if his former forcing pass had been correct (as it was), it was all the more imperative that he pass this even more vital decision to his partner. West's double was none too good, but he probably reckoned that he had more to gain than to lose. South's redouble was, in my opinion, quite correct.

On the opening lead of the spade king and the laying down of the dummy, declarer cheerfully could have throttled his partner, because it was immediately apparent that a club finesse would have to be taken. On the bidding and, more specifically on West's double, declarer was far from sanguine about the location of the club king, but his rage was not conducive to caution, and he grimly resolved to "shoot the works" on the club finesse.

Obviously, the club finesse did lose and, as a consequence, the contract was defeated four tricks, 2,200 points. The swing involved, when one considers that seven spades doubled would have gone down 900, was pretty bad.

It is interesting to note that the exchange of one card between the North and South hands would have resulted in even a greater swing. With the K-J-10 of diamonds in dummy and the A-Q in the closed hand, the seven no trump redoubled contract could have been made easily.

Declarer would win the first spade and run off seven hearts and three diamonds ending, of course, in the dummy. With a spade and a club left in the dummy, and the ace-queen of clubs in declarer's hand, West would be squeezed. In order to guard dummy's spade, he would have to blank the club king. The exchange of these cards, therefore, would have made the fantastic difference of 5,280 points!

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: How much strength is necessary in order to make a penalty pass of a redoubled suit contract when partner has made a takeout double?

Answer: About two honour tricks and some strength in opponent's suit, J 10 x or x x x x.

What's On At the Cinemas

ALHAMBRA THEATRE—"Rainbow On The River," starring Bobby Green, who won world-wide acclaim in "Let's Sing Again," who enacts the part of a boy tenor with a lonely heart as he pines for the Southland while imprisoned in the unkind atmosphere of an austere grandmother's New York mansion.

AT THE KING'S—"General Spanky," with Phillips Holmes, Rosina Lawrence and Spanky McFarland. The thrills and drama of the War between the States in the 60's with the charm and traditions of the South, furnish the interesting background for this Hal Roach feature-length comedy.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Magnificent Brute," with Victor McLaglen, Binnie Barnes, Jean Dixon, William Hall, Ann Preston, Henry Armetta and Edward Norris. A battle of might against right in the love of two blondes for a strong man who had a weakness for beauty. A real McLaglen part.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Street Scene," with Sylvia Sydney, William Collier Jr., and Estelle Taylor. The poignant but futile love of a young boy and girl, a husband slaying his wife and her lover, the eviction of a family for non-payment of rent; all the stories of a crowded tenement house, are shown in this film.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Trouble for Two," with Robert Montgomery and Rosalind Russell. Based on "The Suicide Club" by Robert Louis Stevenson. A comedy adventure with a laugh for every romantic thrill.

AT THE STAR—"Man of Iron," with Barton MacLane and Dorothy

Peterson. The adventures, in high society, of an unpolished workman, elevated to a high executive position by his wife.

COMING PICTURES

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"China Clipper"—With Pat O'Brien, Beverley Roberts, Ross Alexander, Humphreys Bogart and Henry B. Walthall. A glamorous romance of the air, marking a milestone in the pictorial history of daring American aviation, coming to the King's Theatre.

"Satan Met a Lady"—with Bette Davis, Warren William, Alison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher and Winifred Shaw. A new thriller from the author of "The Thin Man" which will keep you in laughter from start to finish, coming to the King's.

"Under Your Spell"—with Lawrence Tibbett, Wendy Barrie, Gregory Ratoff and Arthur Treacher. A roughhouse romance that hits the high spots of comedy, action, rhythm and excitement. Coming to the Queen's Theatre.

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TWO APPOINTMENTS OF GREAT INTEREST AND CONNECTED WITH GREAT BRITAIN'S REARMAMENT. PROGRAMME, WERE ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY.

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble has been appointed chief of the supplies and transport department of the Admiralty.

Paymaster - Rear - Admiral Sir Henry Manisty (Retired) has been appointed to his former post of Paymaster Director-General at the Admiralty.

During the Great War, Rear-Admiral Manisty organised the convoy system for protection of Britain's supply ships, which finally broke the back of the German submarine campaign.

He will now, states Mr. Hector Bywater, naval correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," co-operate with the Government in devising new means of protecting Britain's maritime commerce in time of war. — Trans-Ocean.

CLARKSON ARSON CHARGES JURY'S FINDING

London, To-day.

The jury yesterday found both insurance claims fraudulent in the Clarkson arson case, but disagreed on the issue of alleged incendiarism.

Judgment was postponed pending legal arguments.

A number of Lloyds underwriters claimed the return of £25,000 paid in connexion with fires at the Wardour Street premises of the late Mr. Willie Clarkson, the theatrical costumier.

Clarkson's administrators denied the allegations made and counter-claimed for £36,000 which the insurers refused to pay following a fire in a store in Ramillies Place.

Sensational evidence was given by Leopold Harris, undergoing sentence for a previous fire-raising conviction. Harris stated that the Wardour Street fire was due to arson and that the insured received £25,000 on damage to the extent of £5,000. — Reuter.



Infuriated strike pickets made an assault on Chevrolet Plant No. 9 and broke the windows shown above. Police, with a barrage of tear gas, cleared the sidewalks. This picture from Pathe News shows the tear gas, hanging low over the street, and the last of the strikers fleeing.

Man Who Escaped From Canarias

JUMPED FROM MAR CANTABRICO:
WAS PICKED UP BY FISHERMEN

Arcachon, To-day.

"The ship changed her name to the Adda of Newcastle, for the sake of prudence, but the rebel cruiser Canarias was not deceived and began to bombard us."

THIS WAS PART OF THE DRAMATIC STORY TOLD BY A SEAMAN OF THE SPANISH ARMS RUNNER, "MAR CANTABRICO," SHELLED AND SUNK BY THE "CANARIAS" IN THE BAY OF BISCAY.

The seaman was picked up by a French fishing smack which has just returned to Arcachon.

Describing the bombardment, the seaman said that the fire on board the gun runner was started by a shell which plunged into the hold.

"We sent out an S.O.S. using the Adda's call signal, and the Canarias put out boats and boarded us, taking off the crew."

JUMPED OVERBOARD

The sailor revealed that he had escaped capture by jumping overboard and clinging to some wreckage.

There were seventeen passengers on the ill-fated "Mar Cantabrico," he revealed.

The ship carried a crew of 150, as well as seventeen passengers, who included five Italians, five Mexicans and two Americans. — Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

MRS. SIMPSON AT TOURSEE

Toursee, To-day.

Mrs. Wally Simpson, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Helman Rogers, whose guest she has been at Cannes since the events of last December, arrived at the Chateau de Cande, nine miles from here, yesterday.

Mrs. Simpson and Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Bedaux. — Reuter.

Soyiet Refuses Visa To Diplomat

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet and Japanese authorities are at loggerheads owing to the Soviet Government having refused to visa the passport of a Japanese official attached to the Japanese Embassy at Moscow.

The Soviet alleges that the Japanese official, who wishes to enter Russia, has been in contact with "undesirable" persons. — Reuter.

DOOM OF THE GYPSIES IN GERMANY

Berlin, To-day.

Dark days are in store for gypsies in Germany as far as their traditional romantic roving life is concerned.

A scheme has been worked out by which gypsies will be forced to become permanently domiciled in settlements in the vicinity of towns.

CHEVROLET SIT-DOWN INVASION

NINE FACTORIES
OCCUPIED

HOPE OF AN EARLY
STATEMENT

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

A BODY OF 10,000 STAY-IN-STRIKERS YESTERDAY OCCUPIED EIGHT CHRYSLER FACTORIES IN THE DETROIT AREA, COMPLETELY SUSPENDING OPERATIONS.

The action was a sequel to the Chrysler Corporation's rejection of the claim of the union of automobile workers for recognition as the sole bargaining agency.

Mr. Frank Murphy, Governor of Michigan, flew back from his holiday in case the situation becomes threatening, but all at present is quiet and negotiations have been resumed between the Chrysler Corporation and the union.

In the meantime the leaders of the committee for industrial organisation have decided to postpone unionisation of the oil field workers and to concentrate on immediate enlistment of one million workers in the textile industry.

AKRON SIT-DOWN

A series of sit-down strikes occurred last night at the Goodrich Tyre Company's factory at Akron, Ohio.

Wall Street is of the opinion that the Detroit strike will be settled speedily, though sporadic labour troubles are expected to continue all over the country for some time. — Reuter.

Their traditional occupations of fortune telling, poaching and begging will have to be "renounced."

All Germans will also be instructed to be "less liberal" towards the Romany tribes. — Trans-Ocean.

OPEN DOOR IN COLONIES

Principal Plea At Raw Materials Conference

FUNERAL INCIDENT CLOSED

ITALO-GERMAN NOTES

Bucharest, To-day.

"The diplomatic representatives attended the funeral in a private capacity and had not the slightest intention of interfering in Rumanian internal affairs."

This is the statement contained in identical Notes from Italy and Germany in reply to a strong Rumanian protest at the presence of Italian and German diplomatic representatives at the funeral of members of the banned Rumanian Fascist organisation, the "Iron Guard."

The Notes add that the diplomats had no idea that their attendance at the funeral would be interpreted in an unfavourable light.

"The incident can now be regarded as closed," declared the Foreign Minister, M. Victor Antonescu, in Parliament yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

GEN. YU HON-MAU IN CANTON

To-day's Meeting With Mr. Kirkpatrick

Canton, To-day.

General Yu Hon-mau, Commander-in-chief of the 4th. Route Army and Pacification Commissioner for Kwangtung, arrived in Canton from Hong Kong last night.

It is officially reported that Mr. Kirkpatrick, representative of the British Export Credit Guarantee Department, will call on General Yu at 10 o'clock this morning, and that to-night an official banquet will be given in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick by General Yu and Gen. Huang Mo-sung, the Governor of the province. — Our Own Correspondent.

N.Y.K. FINED

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha were this morning fined \$25 at the Central Magistracy for failing to furnish a proper list of departures by the Yasukuni Maru which left Hong Kong on February 23.

Sub-Inspector Edwards said that a Japanese passenger notified the police of his departure and so did a Hotel but on the shipping list his name was not included.

LOCAL ESTATE

Late Mr. Vaizey Leaves \$39,500

Ker George Russell Vaizey, Late of Star Stile, Halstead, Essex, and of No. 26, Cornwall Gardens, Middlesex, who died at No. 20, Devonshire Place, Middlesex, on August 7 last, left local estate to the value of \$39,500.

An application by Mr. R.A. Wadson, lawful attorney, for the sealing certified copy of Probate of the Will, has been granted.

LORD NUFFIELD'S NEW OFFER

London, To-day.

An offer by Lord Nuffield to give £50,000 for the formation of a Sea Corps, provided another £100,000 was raised by the Navy League, was announced by the Lord Mayor yesterday at the Mansion House. — British Wireless.

FOUR PROJECTS

C.E.C. Resolutions Revealed

Nanking, To-day.

The Standing Committee of the Central Executive Committee has requested Mr. Lin Sen, President of the Nationalist Government, to give out instructions for carrying out four important resolutions of the Third Plenary Session for negotiating with foreign countries concerned the termination of extraterritoriality in China, for assembling all distinguished Chinese and introducing them to the Government, for the improvement of the salt revenues and for deepening the Yangtze River to prevent further floods. — Our Own Correspondent.

COST OF EDUCATION IN BRITAIN

Fifteen Pounds Sterling Per Head

London, To-day.

A Memorandum on the Board of Education estimates shows that they are based on an assumed attendance in the public elementary schools of 4,553,000.

The cost per pupil of elementary education for a year works out at £15/11/1d.

The Memorandum states that the total expenditure from the national exchequer and from local rates on education will amount to \$95,207,000 in 1937 compared with \$92,886,000 last year. — British Wireless.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, To-day.

The share market opened much quieter yesterday, the investing public confining purchases mainly to utilities.

Price movements were not uniform but never reached the erratic stage. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH MILITARY ADVISER TO IRAQ ARMY

London, To-day.

Major General H. W. M. Watson has been appointed Inspector-General and Military Adviser to the Ministry of Defence in the British Military Mission attached to the Iraq Army. — British Wireless.

Canton, To-day.

The Executive Yuan has appointed Mr. Chou Men-chu to be a member of the Kwangtung Provincial Council in place of Mr. Lo Yick-yan, who will be given another position by the Nanking Government. — Our Own Correspondent.

American View Expressed

Geneva, To-day.

Considerable progress was made in the raw materials conference here when the second session was convened yesterday.

Sir Henry Strakosch (South Africa) strongly favoured inclusion of foodstuffs in the inquiry.

He said it was also necessary to examine whether complaints in regard to raw materials were well-founded and whether difficulties were due to the policy of other countries or the country concerned.

Mr. Grady (United States) emphasised the necessity of avoiding discrimination in commercial treatment.

OPEN DOOR THE IDEAL

He was of the opinion that the policy of the open door in all colonies was the ideal to be aimed at.

Dr. van Gelden (Netherlands) said that the Netherlands had always pursued the policy of the open door in her East Indian possessions, and her exports were only 13 per cent. of the total.

He pointed out that Japan exported much more to the Netherlands East Indies than was imported thence. — Reuter.

POLISH ATTITUDE

The Polish view on the policy of the open door was also brought before the committee at yesterday's session.

Mr. Adam Rose (Poland) spoke in favour of the principle in colonies, after he had explained the obstacles which prevented Poland from obtaining access to raw materials.

With a birth rate that gave her an annual increase in population of some 450,000, Poland saw herself compelled to pursue a policy of industrialisation.

He thought the problem should be considered primarily from the viewpoint of finance.

N.E.L. LIBERAL POLICY

Dr. van Gelden (the Netherlands) said that in his opinion a more liberal attitude was adopted with regard to investment of foreign capital in the Netherlands East Indies than in any other colonial territory.

In the sugar industry, for instance, Netherlands capital constituted only 62 per cent. of the total.

INTERNATIONAL PLAN

The Czecho-Slovakian delegate favoured establishment of an international financial organisation, while the American representative said that the raw materials pro-

Treasury Account Nearly Balanced

London, To-day.

Exchequer returns show that the total ordinary revenue to date amounts to \$722,707,712, compared with \$690,121,420 at the corresponding date of last year.

The ordinary revenue yield last week totalled \$27,903,755 against \$22,531,883 in the corresponding date last year.

Total expenditure is \$739,405,332, compared with \$693,891,567 at the corresponding date of 1936. — British Wireless.

blem should not be regarded solely as a matter of commercial policy, and referred to the recent reductions in American tariffs which were made in the hope that other countries would follow suit.

He thought the policy of the open door an ideal solution.

BELGIAN VIEW

The Belgian delegate, M. Leon Gerard, maintained that the system of the open door had been strictly carried out in the Belgian Congo, but he was opposed to inclusion of foodstuffs in the list of raw materials. — Trans-Ocean.

A Mother's Advice— "Never Be Without Baby's Own Tablets!"

Mothers with young children will do well to read the following lines from a Canadian mother, Mrs. J. Smythe, 81, Leak Avenue, Long Branch, Ontario.

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Nile Green And Rose De France

Patou is showing some remarkable gowns in the new colours, showing an interesting preference for Rose de France and Nile green with highly attractive results.

Black is rare, but distinguished with a colour note in golden yellow spraying a leaf design aslant front waistline to correspond with narrow yellow gros-grain rising up to pass over shoulders and low back decollete into tufted loops and long ends falling down the back.

Gold embroideries present a handsome note on an undraped spring green gown, while one draped in royal purple is given a scarlet waistline swathe which cascades in a fall at one side front. Skilful gathering round single ovals and diamond-shaped motifs set at waistlines aid new draped movements

that spread away into space on the lines of a sunray plan. These motifs occur respectively on rust-pink and apple-green gowns, the former being given as complement a dark rust-red velvet cloak-cape and the latter one of wine red with an identical motif at nape lines, spraying ease for shoulder fittings.

Tapestry embroideries in fine colours are other notes that enhance evening gowns and bring special charm to those of ivory white linen jacket and full-length fitted coat ensembles. The coat line shows an example embroidered in length down the back only, and the gown is given merely a bow motif taken from the design embroidered in red across the waistline.

Ideas for day wear have equivalent attraction and show off embroideries of lesser degree from time to time. Short box bolero jackets look very youthful for dark blue dress or skirt and tuck-in blouse outlines.

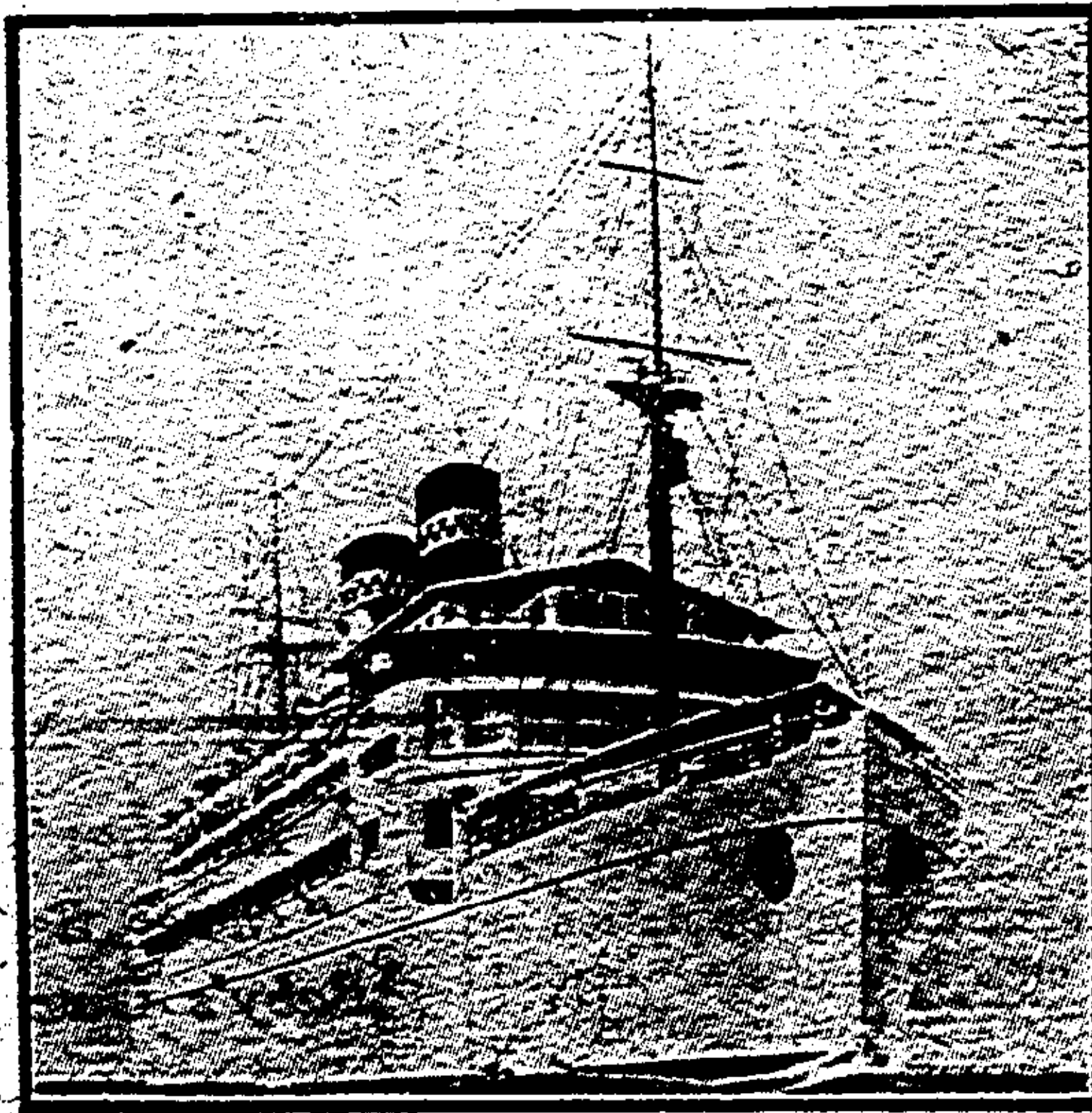


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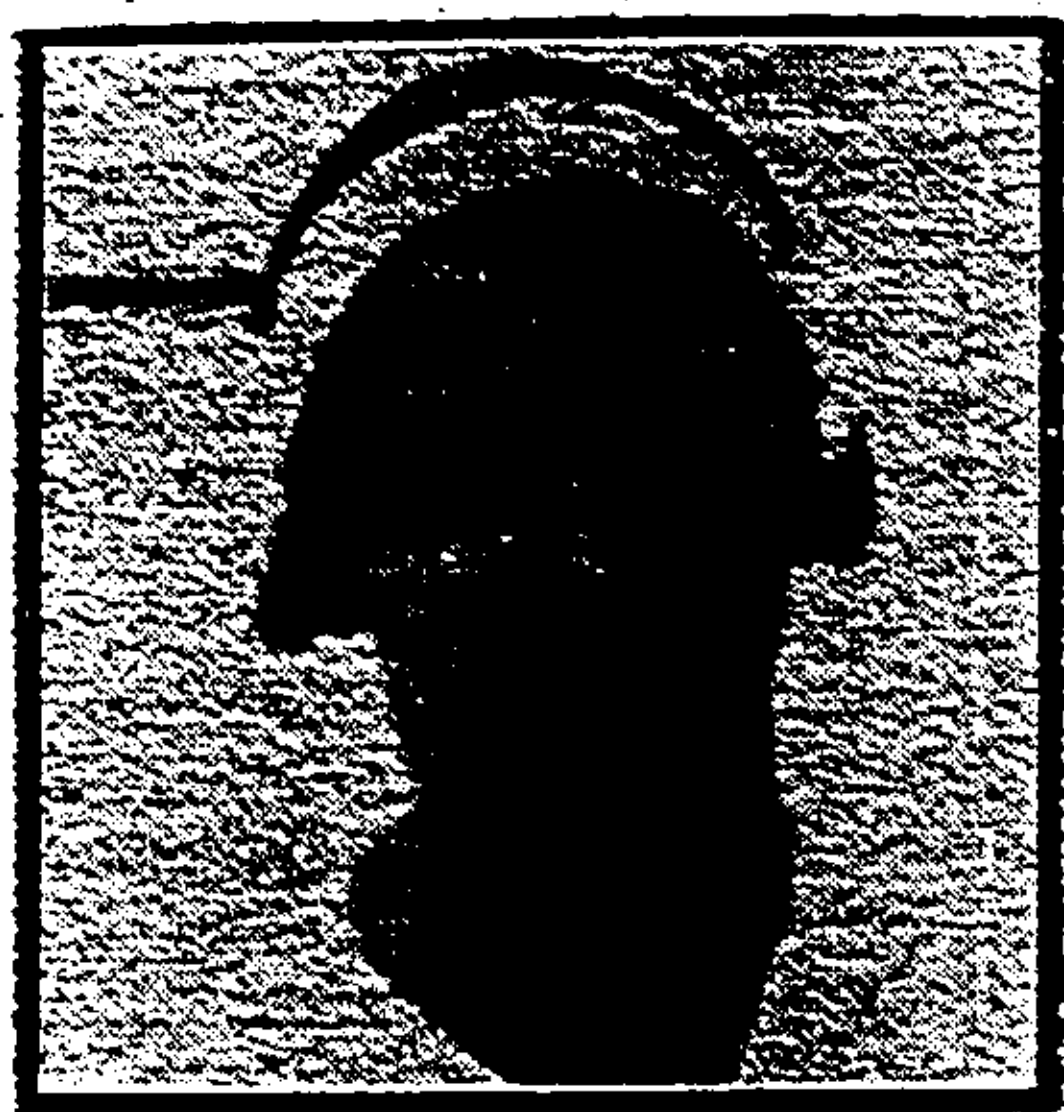
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Miss Dorothy Round, famous British tennis player, whose engagement is announced.

Miss Dorothy Round Engaged

London, To-day.

Miss Dorothy Round, the British Wightman Cup tennis star, yesterday announced her engagement to Dr. Douglas Little, who hails from her home town of Dudley, in Worcestershire.

Dr. Little is a Scot, and played for his county at hockey. He is also a golfer but plays little tennis.—Reuter.

CRUISER SENT TO SPAIN

Netherlands To Stop Rebel Ship Raids

Amsterdam, To-day.

The Dutch steamer "Triton," on the way from Barcelona to the Netherlands, was stopped in the Straits of Gibraltar yesterday by an insurgent armed trawler.

The Netherlands vessel was obliged to put in to Ceuta, where she unloaded her cargo of 200 tons of piece goods and 30,000 cases of oranges before she was permitted to continue her voyage.

As a sequel to this incident the Netherlands cruiser "Java"

DR. SCHUSCHNIGG MEETS OTTO

IN NO HURRY FOR RESTORATION

Paris, To-day.

"The Austrian Chancellor, Dr. Kurt Schuschnigg, is in no hurry with his ideas for restoration of the Hapsburgs.

"Another eight or ten months can slip by before he does anything.

So declares the French journalist, Julius Sanerwein, writing in "Le Soir" yesterday.

He says that he is able to reveal that Dr. Schuschnigg met Archduke Otto, the sole claimant to the Austrian throne, in Switzerland fairly recently.

On this occasion, he alleges, Archduke Otto outlined cautious plans of campaign.

The plan consisted of setting up close trade relations with those countries that had seceded from the former Austro-Hungarian Empire, and at the same time, giving them the fullest assurances that a monarchist Austria would never seek to incorporate any parts of their territory.—Trans-Ocean.

FAMOUS MINING EXPERT DEAD

Sir Albert Kitson

London, To-day.

The death has occurred at the age of 69 of Sir Albert Kitson, one of the world's greatest authorities on mining and geology.—Reuter.

Sir Albert's outstanding work was done in Australia, Nigeria and the Gold Coast. In Australia he made detailed topographical and geological

has been ordered to Spanish waters to escort Netherlands merchantmen.—Reuter.



The Archduke Otto.

surveys of the coalfields, and his more important discoveries included black and brown coalfields and oil-shale deposits in Nigeria, manganese, diamond and bauxite fields on the Gold Coast, and glacial and fossil beds in Victoria, and Tasmania.

He was knighted in 1927 and commended by the Secretary of State for the Colonies for his work in Africa.

AT NO EXTRA COST

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE EXPERIMENTAL AIR SERVICE BETWEEN HONG KONG AND PENANG WILL BE CONTINUED UNTIL ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS ARE POSSIBLE.

It is hoped eventually to improve the service in view of the eventual carriage of all first-class mails to and from Hong Kong by air.

So runs an announcement by the Secretary of State for Air, Viscount Swinton.

TO BE CONTINUED

Lord Swinton says it is therefore proposed to conclude an agreement with Imperial Airways for continuation of the present weekly service in each direction over the route Penang-Saigon-Hue (or Touranne)-Hong Kong.

Continuation of the service will be for a period of twelve months from March 23, but the Secretary of State reserves the right to terminate the agreement at a fortnight's notice in the event of other arrangements being made for an alternative service connecting Hong Kong with the Empire air route, whether for carriage of all first-class air mails or otherwise.

H.K. SUBSIDY SHARE

The maximum subsidy payable in respect of the temporary service will be £25,500 for a full year and pro rata for any lesser period.

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EDUCATION

One of the problems which will face His Excellency the Governor when he takes up his new duties in Ceylon will concern unemployment among the educational classes. It is a problem of big dimensions though it is not peculiar to Ceylon. Indeed, it exists in Hong Kong to an extent which few people fully appreciate, and which almost entitles us to challenge the Colombo assertion that in no other place is it so frequently discussed and deplored with so little attempt at remedial action.

The existence of the evil has long been recognised and though no methodical attempt has been made to assess its magnitude, there are many indications by which its dimensions can be estimated. One of these is the low standard of salaries for non-foreign office workers and another the rush of applicants for every minor post that happens to be advertised. Most of them are young men "educated" without any vocational end in view. The educational system followed in the schools must hold to be primarily responsible for producing a multiplicity of misfits. There is no distinction made between the small proportion of pupils who can hope to profit by a University course and the large number who are expected to earn a livelihood immediately they leave school. The almost exclusively literary character of the education imparted indiscriminately to youths of varying ability lies at the root of the trouble.

The eradication of the more obvious defects in the system of education is imperatively needed in the interests of the future generations for whom work will have to be found. Meanwhile, what of those victims of lack of foresight and direction in the past? Must they still await the slender prospect of a job in a Government department, or drift through life, embittered and ever groning against the existing scheme of things?

In certain parts of India this problem has been faced and suitable remedies devised. For instance, in the United Provinces, following on the report of a Committee appointed to inquire into unemployment among educated young men, certain definite measures were taken to mitigate the evil. These included

the establishment of a special industrial colony where a number of students were afforded facilities for developing their capacity for earning their livelihood under normal competitive conditions in different manufacturing industries. Practical training in agriculture on a farm where students work for themselves under competent guidance, keeping their profits and bearing their own losses, was another interesting experiment. Apart from this and other State-aided schemes, it was considered essential to establish an Employment Board whose functions included the collection and supply of information relating to openings for employment, the registration of candidates who could be put in touch with employers, the collection of statistics, co-operation with schools and colleges and advice to the Government on unemployment questions.

India's problems, of course, are not comparable to those of Hong Kong and only in minor details could such a scheme be adapted to local conditions. Hong Kong's main hope of a solution possibly lies in the encouragement, perhaps through an official or even an unofficial organisation, of migration, meaning that students who have passed through Hong Kong's educational system might find it more profitable to place their services at the disposal of the Chinese Government, in the provincial spheres. With China going so rapidly ahead in every direction the need for young men of some education must become increasingly great.

First Aid At The

Food Store

Though the mere English are often accused of taking their pleasures sadly (or is that a charge which we have nowadays outlived?), it would seem that the Russian is also able to import a touch of sobriety into what might normally be regarded as festive arrangements. A new type of delicatessen shop is shortly to be opened in Moscow, we are told, and all the many dishes, from sausages to dairy products, are to be displayed in a setting of cool grey marble. That in itself sounds just a little like a mausoleum, but a stranger addition to the scheme is provided by the assurance that "a trained nurse will be in charge of every counter to advise customers about diet."

In the ordinary way a shop which specialises in many varieties of piquant foodstuffs is apt to be rather a stimulating place to people of average and inquiring appetites; they may be tempted to wander round and speculate whether they should try some experiments with outlandish viands. The presence of a trained nurse suggests a certain curbing of that spirit of adventure; she may well look like a standing "don't" in the matter of unusual diet. The old legend maintains that the ancient Egyptians used to have skeletons introduced during their feasts in order to impress upon guests the brevity of human life and the vanity of human pleasures. The trained nurse at the delicatessen counter seems to be nearly as ominous an introduction—a constant reminder of dietetic dangers rather than delights.

The Trained Seals

I can speak freely on the subject because I have been one and because before I was one I held them in the same expectorating disdain which any averagely good reporter affords them. The "trained seals" on a newspaper are those guys who can "write." They are the guys who are sent out by the Editor to put the "steam" on what is a good news story in its own right but which for some reason, that only the Boss knows and even he can't remember the next day, is deemed worthy of a little juicing up, fret-saw work, or common, woven-under-water you-know.

A trained seal is not *per se* a reporter, although he probably was one before he achieved the eminence of "staff" man. He is a sort of unnatural appendage to newspapering—not exactly a wart, but a sixth, and useful, finger on the right hand of journalism. Perhaps his relation to the ordinary course of getting out a paper can best be shown with a hypothetical example.

Spring floods have been promising a story for two days. Fragmentary dispatches have been turned over to the sub. editor each day, and he, without having seen an inch of water, writes a picture in black and white (no colour as yet) of what seems to be happening. His material comes from local correspondents. There is no point in sending out a staff reporter as yet, because the story is too spread out.

But then on the third day, in the midst of choosing among pictures of smiling people rowing boats down a main street or of a policeman carrying a pretty girl across a six-inch puddle, the News Editor gets a flash message.

Dam at Shoeville
Reported Collapsed.

The Editor knows that Shoeville is a mill town in a rather narrow valley, closely populated and shabbily built. He doesn't begin screaming orders, as the movies would have you believe, but he does shove back his chair and hurries to find the Managing Editor and the City Editor. Among them they start the wheels of coverage moving. The chief sub. puts a call through to the correspondent. If it is day-time one of the editors summons the photographers while another charters a plane. Other cameramen and from one to six reporters are started over the road.

Now this is all on the straight news side, the hot news. The actual coverage is well in hand, and all through the day and night the news and the pictures come in, detailing the quick and terrible disaster.

But there is still something to be

told, or so editors have seemed to think for the last fifteen years. In the lead story there are the vital statistics: "A death toll of 645 was written on the records of the Shaupung River to-day as state and local officials . . ." And "Property loss was estimated far into the millions." But, says the editor, in his subconscious reaction, "Who is left behind; whose property was it that was lost; what does it mean to Shoeville?" The person to answer that is the trained seal.

It isn't his business to write a sock-in-the-jaw story starting: "Death and destruction swept the etc., etc." His is the story apt to start out, on such an occasion, something like:

A thin-faced man of fifty-odd years sat on the Court House steps in Memorial Square here to-day and

abstractedly wrung out his wet stockings.

"No," he said, "I don't know where the kids are. They've just took the missis into the ambulance. I was just leaving the shop when I heard the . . ."

* * *

You can see that if that were the only story in the paper about the flood you would have a hard time finding out what had really happened and where and when. But the trained seal isn't there to collect, pack, and ship the news. He is there to find intimate, personal and human meaning in it.

Many's the time—God wot!—that he can't. Many's the time a trained seal has been sent out to play the harmonica on a familiar theme, and has for one reason or another found no theme to work on. "Straight news" men (meaning reporters, editors, even the linotypers) will never give up, as a punishing example of what a trained seal can do when he's sent out on a big story, the lead that Floyd Gibbons once put on, a dispatch.

Gibbons had been rushed across the United States by air, put on the fastest boat there was and the world waited, supposedly, to read his first dispatch from Shanghai. (This was about five years ago, when the real oompah was on about China and Japan. Americans were "besieged" in the foreign quarter; the "long-awaited outbreak of hostilities" loomed; "grave international complications" were imminent if not threatening). The efforts of Asiatic correspondents of many years' standing were apparently not enough to cover the situation, and

Hearst readers panted and fretted impatiently until we could get the real low-down from Floyd Gibbons. The tension was the worse because in the dozen or so days it took Gibbons to get there the "news" indicated that the situation was getting more and more perilous.

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But at last there came a day when the Hearst papers announced: "to-morrow: Floyd Gibbons first dispatch." The headlines that day were about bombings of consulates, burnings of hospitals, mass executions, and whatnot . . . all "according to report."

The next day, the day when Gibbons was to tell us what was really going on, we snatched up our papers and read as his first sentence and paragraph:

— "I am in a rowboat."

That, I must insist, is the end-point in "trained seal leads. By and large they tuck into the matter much more directly, even though allowed any amount of apparent irrelevancy. As I have said, the trained seal probably has "straight news" experience behind him. And the chances are very good that as a "straight news" man he rendered the far greater service to the public and his employer, that is as far as gathering and relaying fact is concerned, than he ever can in his newer, glorified capacity. Unfortunately, the trained seal is helpless in the matter. Few of them seek the status of a "writer," at least so far as the day's work is concerned. Most of them are surprised and a little sheepish on being plucked from the ranks.

How anyone discover that these pictures

specimens can quote write unquote is as much a mystery as the fate of Judge Crater. If I am any guesser—and if I were not I'd never have become a trained seal—I should say that the first signs of genius are detected when a bored reporter puts an "angle" on an accident and it becomes a "box" instead of a ten-point head. Instead of detailing the injuries of the two people involved, the reporter plays up the police officer who in hurrying to the scene trips over a dog and loses his hat.

After a couple stories like that, the Editor begins to hand him the lost kiddies, the oldest living inhabitant, the annual sweepstakes winners, the visiting Hollywood heads and such. These are all still in the city limits, however, and he is not yet a trained seal.

But there comes a day when the Big Stuff, the Number One trained seal if off on a story (colloquially: drunk) and there is something big and throbbing going on in West Turnbuckle. Then the little fellow who had hitherto been a parochial stunt man suddenly finds himself with a voucher for expense money, a cameraman, and instructions to the effect that for the sweet love of Pete he will please stay sober.

From then on there is none of the well-known even tenor. The trained seal is a marked man. The Boss thinks he has to keep those magnificent talents at work as much as he can. So if there is nothing really major going on around town he assigns the smart lad to interview the second-string evangelists, the rocket-to-the-moon boys, the men returning from Extensive Surveys of the European Situation, the semi-annual poverty story, and the eccentric recluse who died with gold stuffed behind the

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Miss Pearl Gardner told this to the convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

It took her five years, starting in 1931, and with infinite patience, she studied 72 horses, 48 cows and 11 sheep.

"When it comes to learning by observation, there's no question the cow is much smarter than a horse," said Miss Gardner. "It doesn't matter whether the horse is a polo pony or a Percheron, I worked with both that people "should have more horse sense." Even sheep give horses a pretty sense," it now turns out it should good run for it, mentally." have been "cow sense" all along.

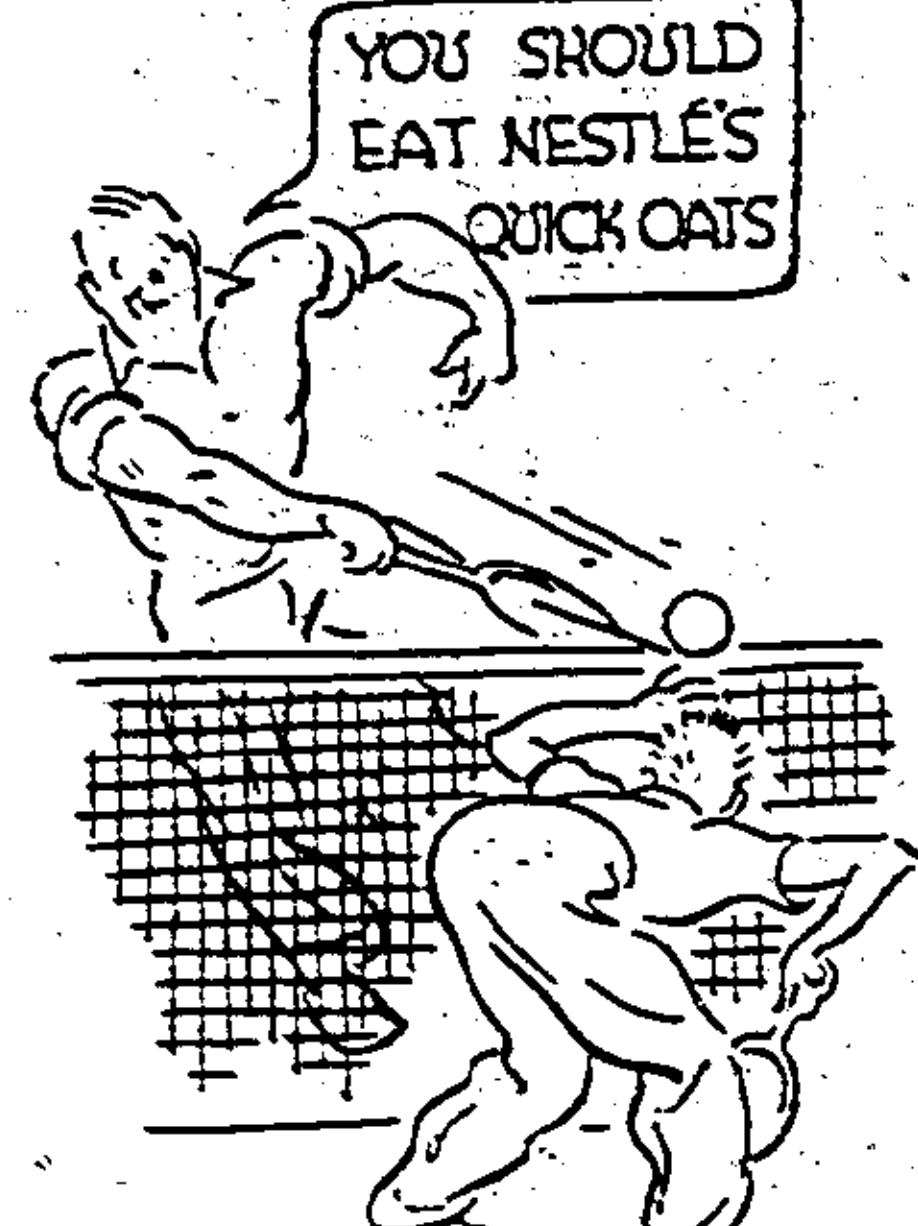
Where the horse has been fooling everyone, apparently, is that he trusts man far more than any other barnyard animal.

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Paris, To-day.

The Chamber of Deputies last night passed the Defence Loan Bill by 470 votes to 46.

The Bill was earlier passed by the finance commission of the Chamber.

AMERICAN AIR LINE TO NEW ZEALAND?

Wellington (New Zealand),

To-day.

The New Zealand Premier, Mr. M. J. Savage, yesterday conferred with Mr. Gatty, President of Pan-American Airways, regarding an airways service spanning the Pacific between New Zealand and the United States.

Mr. Savage declared at the conclusion of the conference "our aim is to build up commercial aviation acceptable to New Zealand and the British Empire."—Reuter.

Passengers on an inter-island vessel watched a strange sea creature race the steamer off the Shetlands and noticed three large fins, about six feet high, above the water.

Lord Dulverton, chairman of the Imperial Tobacco Co. and pro-Chancellor of Bristol University, has given £5,000 for the foundation of open scholarships at the University.

The Premier, M. Leon Blum, confirmed that the Government was hostile to all exchange control and said that the Government's general policy would be unchanged, without reference to the three parties represented in the Popular Front.

The Senate will debate the bill to-day (Wednesday). — Reuter.

NO SPECIAL CONTROL

Paris, To-day.

A demand by the opposition leader, M. Louis Marin, that special control be established for application of the loan, was refused by the chamber after the Finance Minister, M. Vincent Auriol, had spoken against the motion.

An important supplementary motion was passed, however, according to which the Government can establish control only by law.

PROCEEDS CLAUSE

An additional clause was also added to the text of the Bill to the effect that the proceeds of the Loan are to be used only for the purposes of national defence.

Opposition approval of the Loan was expressed by the former Minister of Finance, M. Paul Reynard.—Trans-Ocean.

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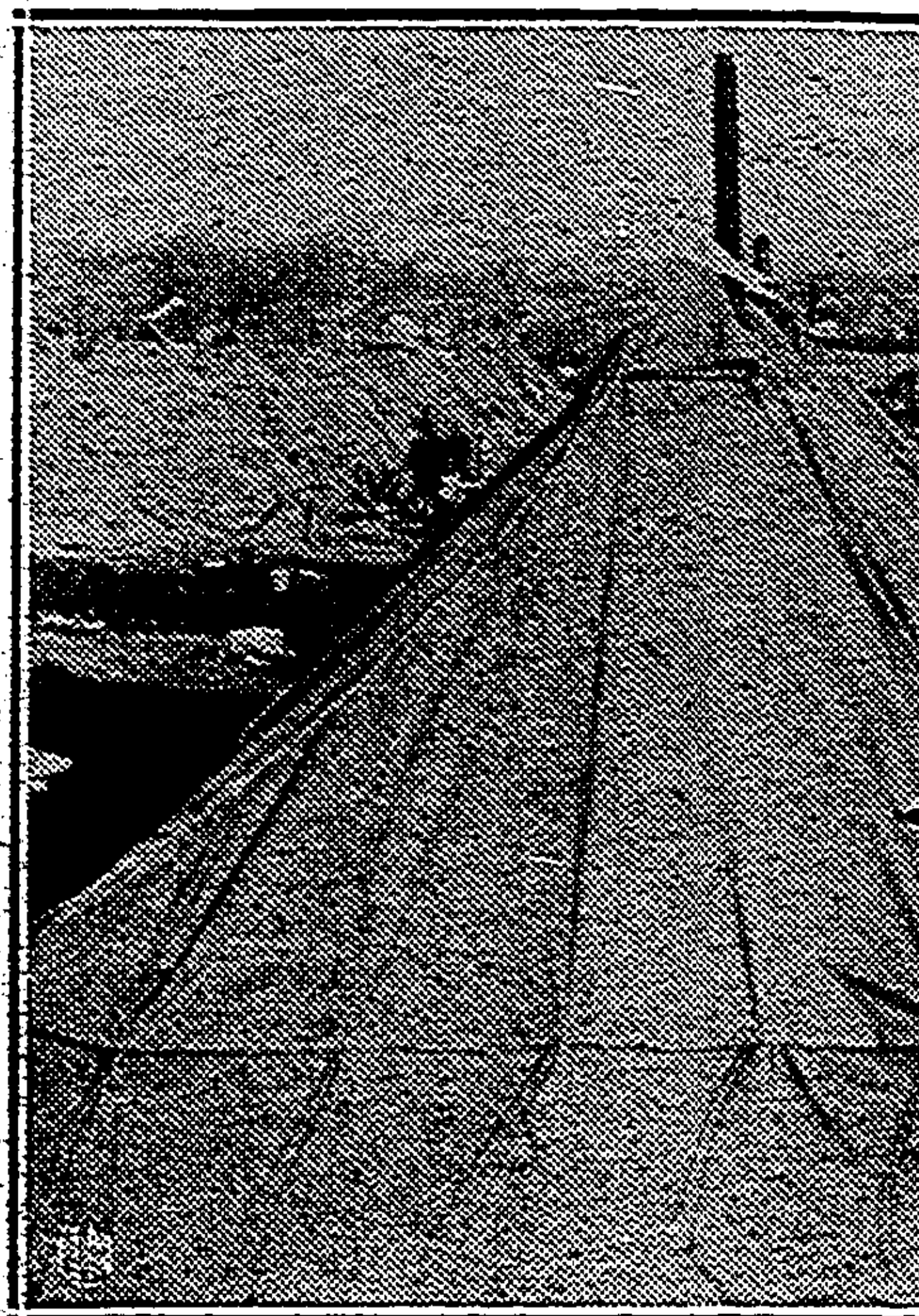
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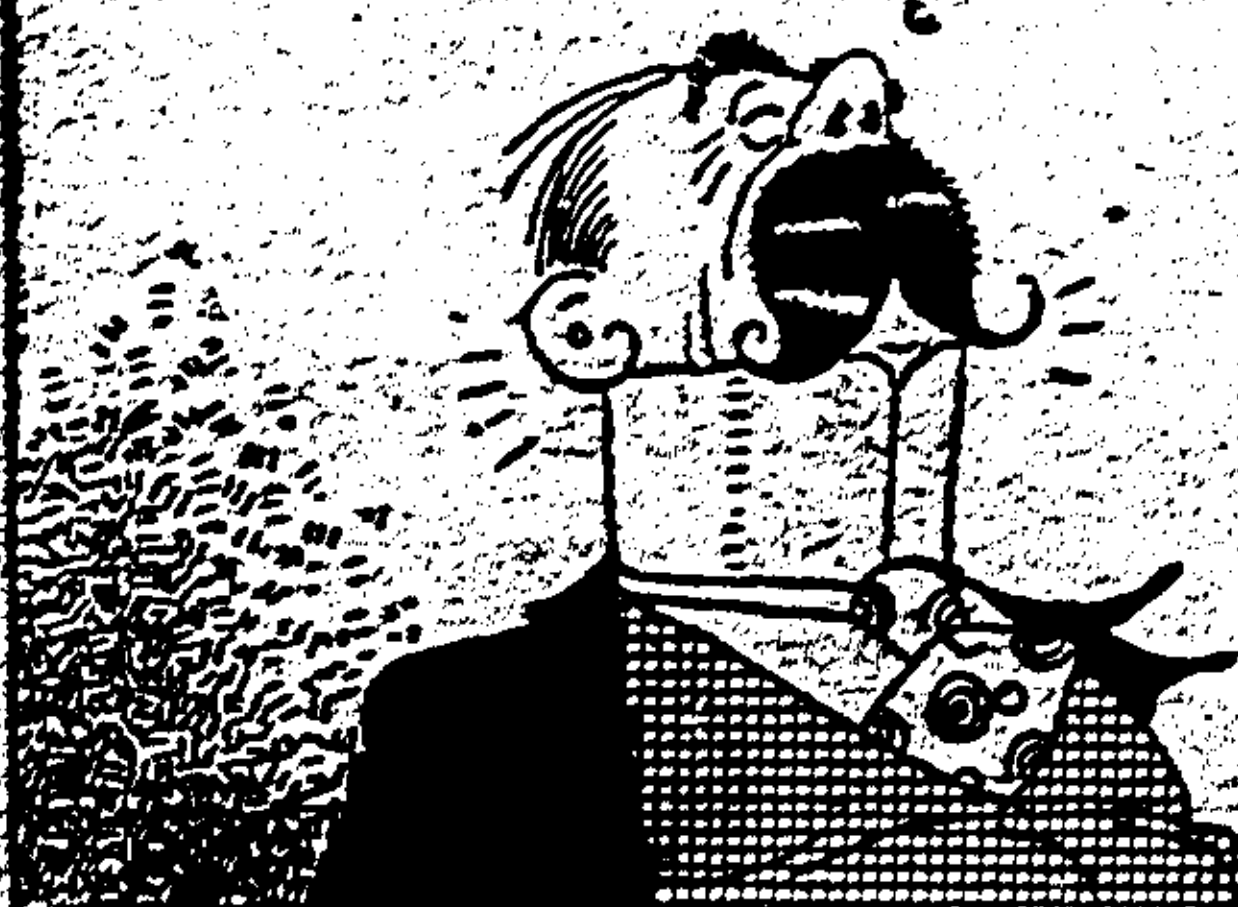
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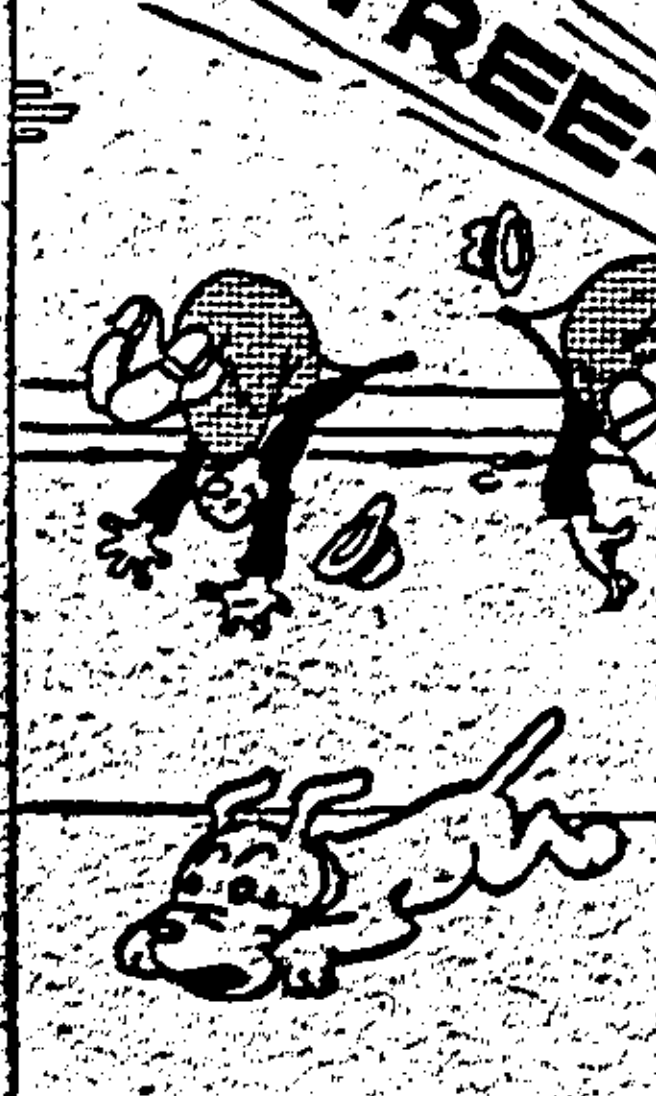
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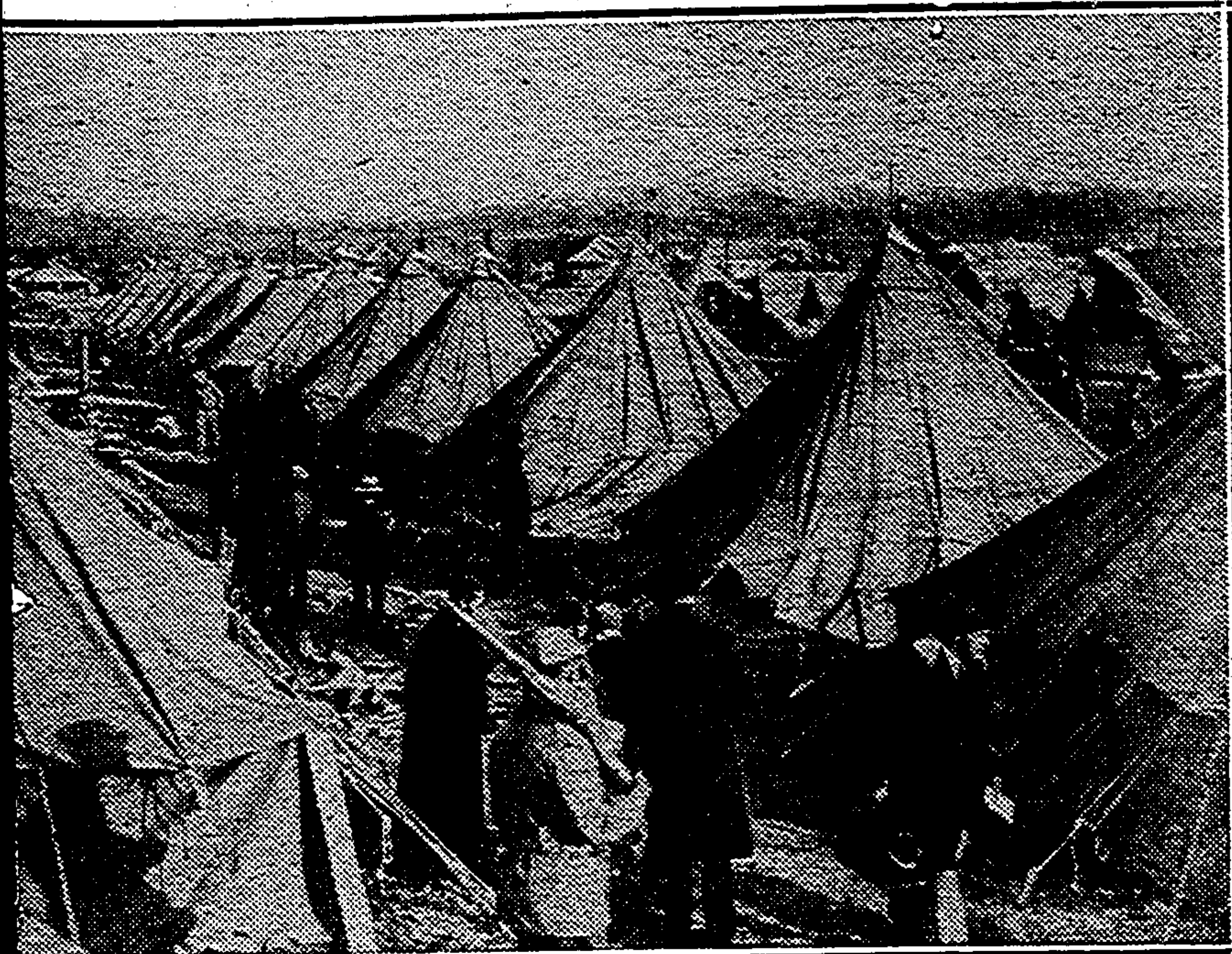


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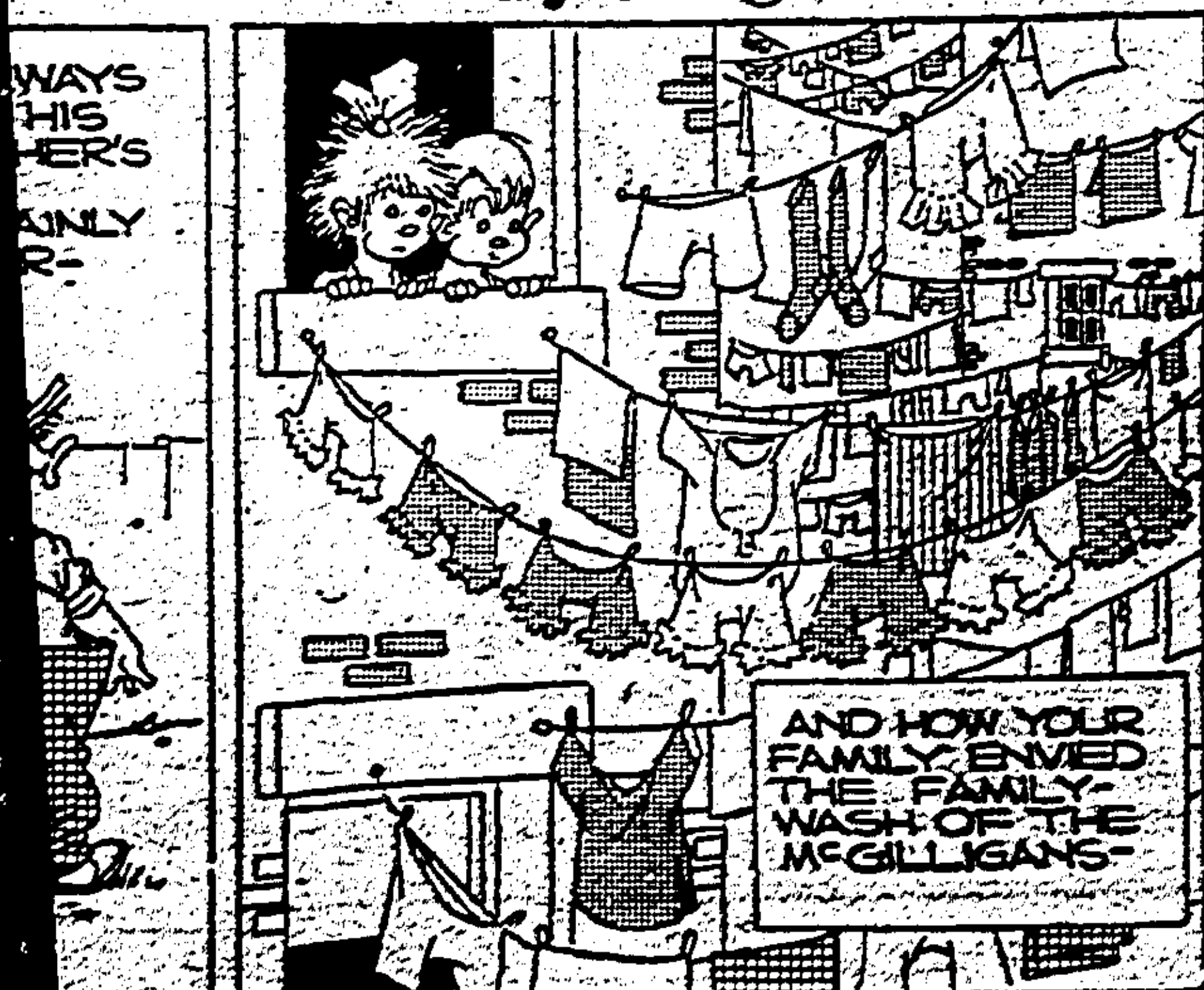


ing up at Forest City, Ark., where thousands fleeing the rising waters of the Missis-
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by Harry Hopkins. WPA administrator, in his tour of the flood zone.



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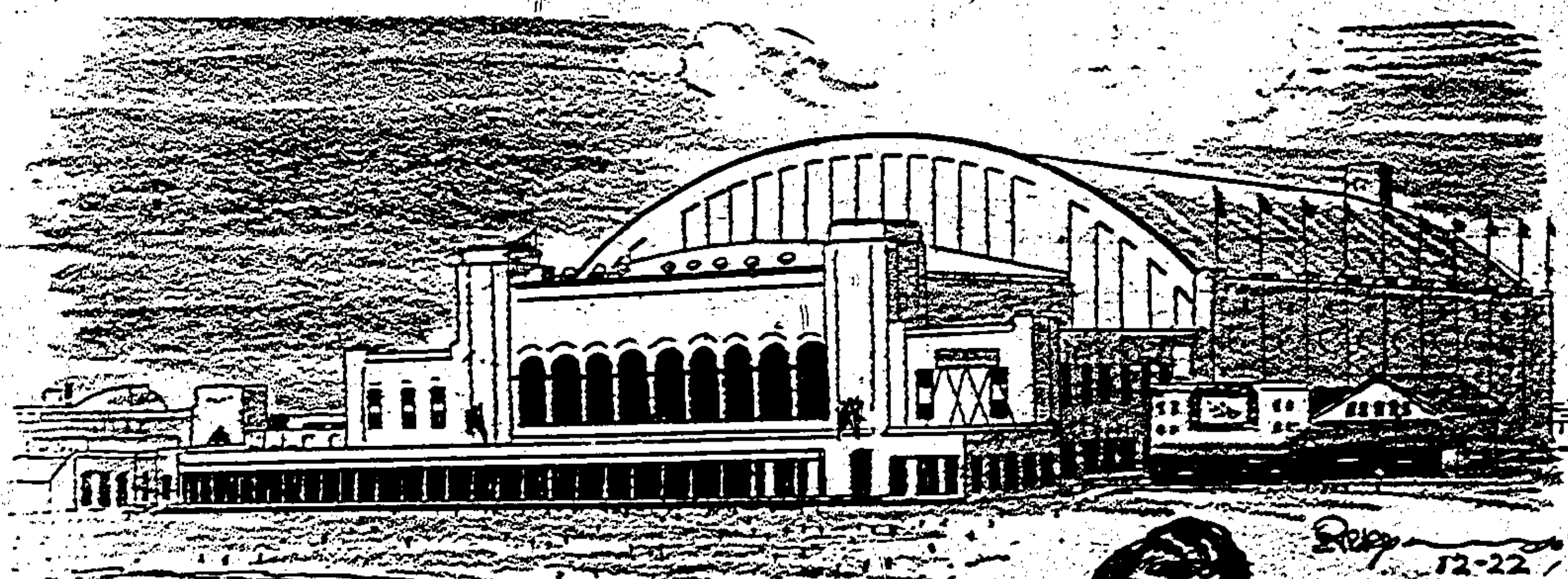
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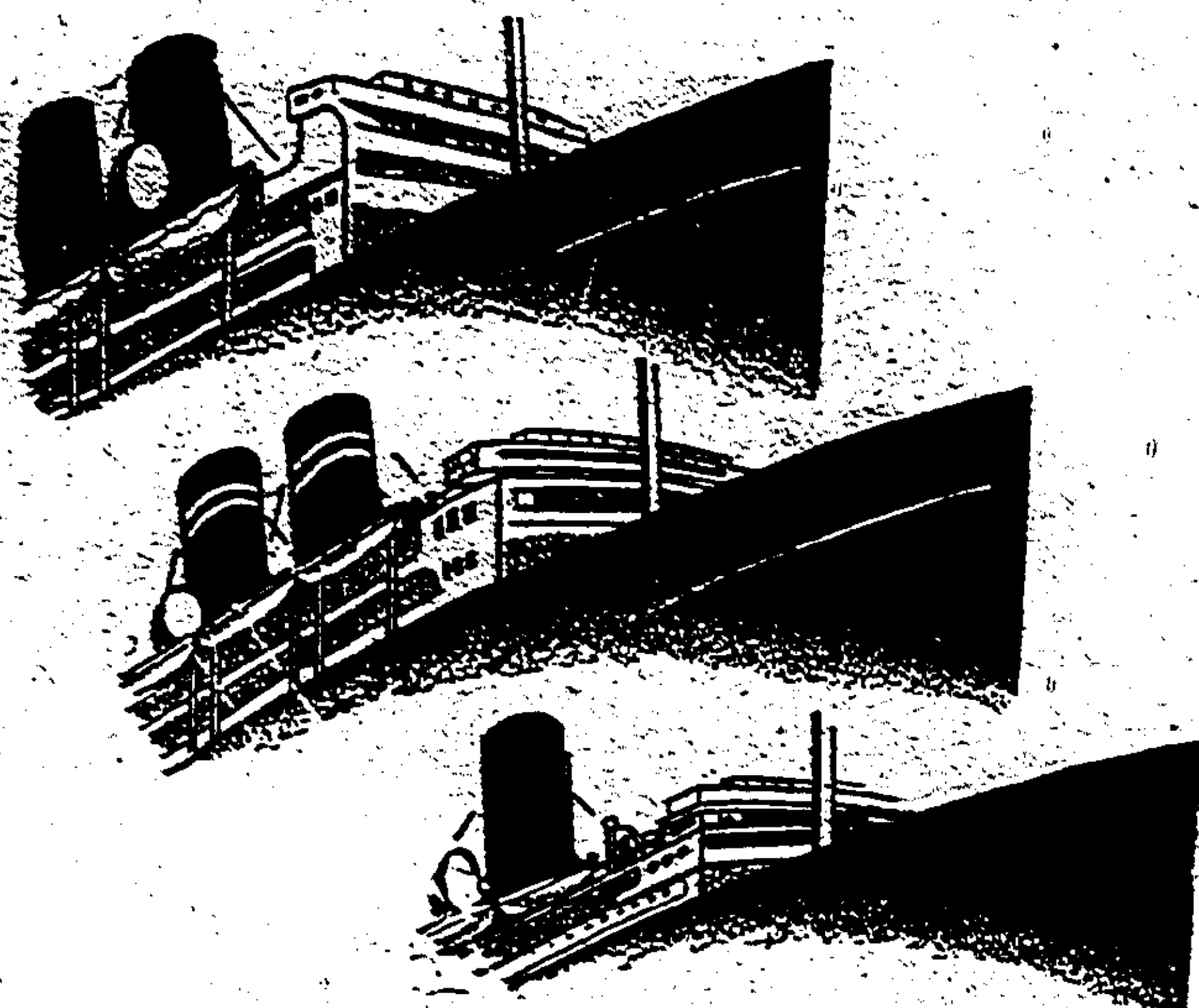


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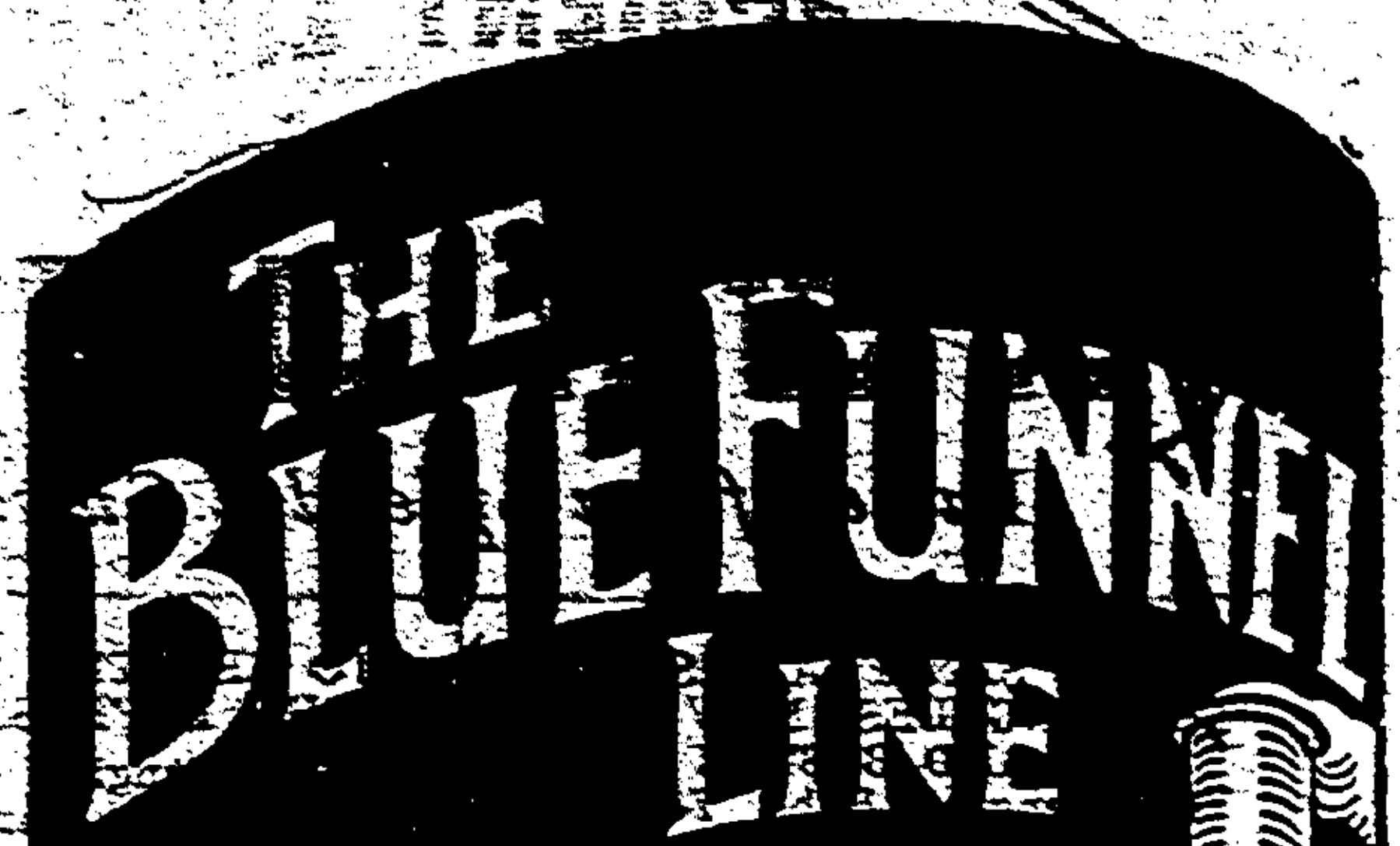


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London, To-day.

In a speech in which he explained and defended the Government's proposals for the amendment and extension of the special measures of rehabilitation already applied to regions where particularly severe unemployment obtains, the Minister of Labour, Mr. Brown, was able to announce in the Commons a number of hopeful developments along the line which the Government is hoping to encourage, namely, the establishment of the new lighter industries, offering a broader basis for employment.

He informed the House in South Wales, for example, one firm was arranging to set up a glass factory and another firm a biscuit factory, while a sewing machine factory at Merthyr, an engineering works at Aberdare, and a reinforced concrete factory at Port Talbot were also planned.

COAL TO PETROL

Negotiations had also been proceeding between the Government, the Nuffield Trustees and Low Temperature Carbonisation Ltd. for the establishment of a "Coalite" Low Temperature Carbonisation plant on the Southern outcrop of the South Wales Coalfield and they had reached a point which will enable a large plant to be erected by co-operation between the three parties provided proposed new legislation was passed.

The total capital involved in these six new undertakings in South Wales would be about £10,000,000 and they would ultimately give employment to 3,000 people.

ROYAL COMMISSION

Mr. Ernest Brown also announced that the Government proposed to appoint a Royal Commission to make an authoritative and comprehensive study of the problems raised by the southwards drift of industry and of the question of the location of industry as a whole. — British Wireless.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS

Bank of East Asia \$85 b.

INSURANCES

Union Ins. \$627 b. \$627 sa.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$33 b.

H. K. Steamboats \$224 b.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS,

ETC.

H. K. and W. Wharves \$115½ b. \$116 sa.

H. K. and W. Docks \$25½ sa.

Providents (Old) \$2 sa.

MINING

Raubas \$13½ b.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$6.20 b. \$6.30 sa. \$6½ sa.

H. K. Lands \$34 b. X. Div. \$34½ sa.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Peak Trams (Old) \$4½ b.

Star Ferries \$36½ b.

China Lights (Old) \$14½/20 sa.

H. K. Electric \$59.50 b. \$59½ sa.

Sandakan Lights \$11½ b.

Telephones (Old) \$29½ b.

Telephones (New) \$11.60 b.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$11.85 sa.

H. K. Ropes \$3½ b.

STORES, &C.

Dairy Farms \$25 b.

Watsons \$4.60 b.

Lane, Crawfords \$6½ b.

COTTON MILLS

Shanghai Cottons (Old) Sh. \$105 b.

Shanghai Cottons (New) Sh. \$80 b.

MISCELLANEOUS

Constructions (New) 42½ cts. b.

Opening B. Sa.
10 a.m. L. L.
in Pesos C. C.

Antamoks 1.40

Atoks 40

Baguio Gold 27

Balatoc Mining 14½

Benguet Consol. 14

Benguet Explor. 15½

Big Wedge 31

Coco Grove 65

Consolidated Mines 1045

Demonstrations 39

E. Mindanao 32

Gumaus G'field 25

Ipo Gold 28

L. X. L. 1.30

Itogons 1.40

Masbate Consol. 41½

Min. Resources 39

Northern Mining 13

Paracale Gumaus 64

Salacot Mining 66½

San Mauricio 2.80

Suyoc Consol. 37

United Paracales 99

LOCAL DOLLAR

Sharp Fall In Silver Price

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20/7/16 and "forward," at 20-7/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.8835.

Sugar Quota To Go

Amsterdam, To-day.

Abolition of the import quotas for unrefined and white sugar into the Netherlands is expected to be announced within a few days.

The quota system was introduced in November last year for a provisional period of six months, with the object of preventing the accumulation in the Netherlands of unduly large stocks of sugar. — Trans-Ocean.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 37-½ b. Up ½.

Apr/June 38-½ b. Up ½.

July/Sept. 38-½ b. Up ½.

Oct/Dec. 38-½ b. Up ½.

Market: Manufacturers' Buying.

The B.I. s.s. Santhia will leave for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on Saturday at 10.30 a.m.

ROTARY PARTY ON TAIPING

Australian Visitors To Japan Conference

When the s.s. Taiping arrives in Hong Kong from Australia tomorrow she will have on board a large party of delegates to the Rotary Conference which is to be held in Japan shortly.

Most of the members are accompanied by their wives. The party comprises:

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Bilson, Mr. L. N. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Castles, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Max Castles, Mr. J. B. Calthorp, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Cargoe, Miss T. E. Davis, Mr. J. A. Elliott, Mr. A. J. Eckersley, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Griffiths, Miss M. J. Griffiths, Mr. A. A. Griffiths, Mrs. A. Gray, Miss J. Gray, Miss Betty Grant, Miss Beryl Howlett, Mr. C. H. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Johnson, Miss Dorothy Konna, Miss O. Limb, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Levey, Mr. R. Levey, Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Langan, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Mitchell, Miss Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Morris, Mrs. M. Marshall, Mr. A. Marriott, Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Newing, Miss J. M. Pender, Mr. W. Pender, Mr. G. F. Pender, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Proud, Mr. and Mrs. H. Podosky, Mr. and Mrs. W. Pugh, Miss Heather Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. J. McA. Ritchie, Mrs. Steele, Mr. Sutherland, Miss Napier Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Napier Thompson, Mr. C. Napier Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Woodward, Mr. R. Walters, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Woolaston.

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The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver on Saturday and is due at Hong Kong on March 25.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" is due at Hong Kong on Friday at 7 a.m. and leaves for Manila on the same day at 6 p.m.

HAVRE STRIKE

Blue Funnel Boat Leaves Without Tug

Havre, To-day.

The Blue Funnel liner "Antiochus" was obliged to leave port yesterday without the aid of a tug, and a P. and O. vessel in harbour will probably have to do the same to-day.

This follows the declaration of a sudden shipping strike here which is badly hampering maritime traffic.

Departure of the giant "Normandie" to-morrow is doubtful.

The strike is a protest against delay on the part of arbitrators in giving their decision on the question of a 40-hour week.

The workers are also incensed over the smallness of the increase in wages granted to them, the raise being only 11 per cent.—Reuter.

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuter:—

	Prev.	Yesterday
	Closing	Closing
New York Cotton:		
March	13.86	14.07
May	13.46	13.67
July	13.28	13.50
October	12.85	13.11
December	12.81	13.00
January	12.85	13.01
Spot	14.05	14.27
New York Rubber:		
March	22.60m	22.62m
May	22.71	22.71
July	22.89	22.85
September	22.95	22.89
December	23.00	22.92
Chicago Wheat:		
May	136	136½
July	118½	119¼
September	115½	116¼
Chicago Corn:		
May	109	109¾
July	104½	105
September	97½	99
Winnipeg Wheat:		
May	128½	130
July	124½	126
October	113½	115½

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TO-NIGHT'S BADMINTON MATCHES

SINGLES TITLE
AT STAKE

P. K. HUI SHOULD REACH FINAL

(By "ADREM")

This evening at King's College, all Quarter-Final matches in the Open Singles Badminton Championship of the Colony, held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Badminton Association, will be played. Some fine games should be witnessed and badminton enthusiasts will have one of their first opportunities of seeing the pick of local singles experts in action.

The most even tie appears to be that between P. H. Wong and K. S. Liew. The former is considered by many to be the finest all-round player in the Colony, and is one of the favourites for the title. His opponent, however, is not to be taken lightly, and should give a good account of himself, although it very unlikely that he will be able to win.

C. E. Chng, who together with P. H. Wong, form a very powerful doubles combination is down to meet P. K. Hui and can hardly be conceded much chance of beating such a fast and powerful performer. Hui is almost certain to meet Wong in the semi-Final Round.

FORTUNATE

A. L. Fisher was rather favoured in the draw and is a trifle fortunate to have reached the last eight. He is hard-working and covers the court well, but has had very little experience of singles. Lee should win as he likes.

Oliveira, until the current season, was considered the finest singles player in the Colony. He has met with several unexpected reverses in recent months and has proved a very shaky starter.

Speed, hard-hitting and a stout heart, carried him through in his first game, much against the run of the play, and the same qualities will probably serve him again tonight. Nevertheless there seems to be more prospect of an upset in this match than any of the others.

TO-NIGHT'S CARD

The following is the programme:—

P. H. Wong	v	K. S. Liew
C. E. Chng	v	P. K. Hui
C. Lee	v	A. L. Fisher
J. J. Ong	v	M. A. Oliveira

KOTEWALL CUP FINAL FIXED FOR GOOD FRIDAY

The Final of the Kotewall Charity Cup soccer competition between the Army and South China will be played on Good Friday, March 26, on the Navy ground, Causeway Bay, at 4 p.m.

Prices of admission will be as usual, but Servicemen, in uniform, will be admitted at half-price to the covered stand and at 30 cents to the uncovered stand.

In the event of a draw, the replay will be played either on the Club ground, or again at Causeway Bay.

ENGLAND ELIMINATE SCOTLAND

BRILLIANT DISPLAY BY HOWLETT IN GOAL INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY CLASH

(By "STICKS")

DOMINATING the exchanges throughout the encounter, England yesterday eliminated Scotland from the local International Hockey Tournament by two goals scored in the second half of the game by Lt. Wright and S. A. Fowler. Miserable conditions were a feature of the game.

Rain fell throughout while gusts of wind blowing diagonally across the field of play, made conditions most uncomfortable for the 22 players. The one redeeming feature of the game, however, was the few falls in spite of the slippery surface.

The standard of hockey was fairly good and Scotland did exceptionally well to hold the powerful England team to no-score up to the interval, although the latter should have netted on several occasions. Garthwaite and Wright were outstanding in the England attack, while S. Fowler came into the picture late in the game.



TSUI WAI-PUI INVITED TO PLAY FOR CHINA

May Accept Davis
Cup Honour.

I was informed this morning by Mr. Lee Wai-tong, the well known Chinese football and tennis player, that the China National Amateur Athletic Federation had approached him and Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, a member of China's Football Delegation to the Olympic Games, with a view to issuing an invitation to Tsui Wai-pui, the Colony lawn tennis singles champion, to participate in the Davis Cup competition with

TENNIS AGAIN POSTPONED

The Hong Kong Cricket Club reports that there will be no tennis to-day as the courts are still unfit for play.

Kho Sin-kie. China will meet New Zealand in the First Round at the Stade Roland Garros on April 30.

Should Tsui Wai-pui accept the invitation, which I understand has not yet been tendered him, he will have to abandon his quest of the Colony Singles tennis championship and leave for Shanghai to play in a series of exhibition matches with W. C. Choy, the Cambridge Blue, who played for China last year and who will in all probability be included again this year.

Guy Cheng, China's second string player last year, is not available, as he is unable to obtain permission to excuse himself from studies in the United States.

G. H. Fowler, at inside-right, and Pennell, on the left-wing, were the weak links in the England attack, the former holding on to the ball too long, while the latter displayed the same fault.

The England intermediate-line were splendid and were mainly responsible for initiating the majority of England's attacking movements. Lt. Davies, out of a sick-bed, gave a fine display at centre-half, and was well supported on the flanks by Brown and Parker, the latter reaching great heights during the latter stages, when he completely bottled up the Scots' right-wing.

Guest played a rousing game at right-back ably supported by Lt. Stileman, while Benwell, in goal, was rarely called upon to save his charge.

BRILLIANT CUSTODIAN

One of the outstanding performances in the game was given by Spr. Howlett, in the Scotland goal. He was nothing short of marvellous and brought off miraculous saves time and again, only to give away a "gift" goal when he attempted to stop a long hit by Davies, which glanced off his pads for S. Fowler, who was following up, to net.

Henderson was the pick of the Scotland defence, his timely interceptions often clearing his lines when the opposition seemed certain to score.

Ritchie, in the centre-half berth, worked energetically but was unable to keep to his feet, while both wing halves tried very hard, but were no match for the opposition's inside-forwards.

AUSTIN UNSUPPORTED

Austin was the pick of the attack and had he received better support, Scotland might have turned the tables on their opponents in the few breakways they had.

After a goalless first half, Wright opened the scoring for England off a fine centre by S. Fowler, and the latter added England's second goal a few minutes later off a rebound, as Howlett attempted to stop a long hit by Davies.

England will now meet India in the Semi-Final Round next Thursday on a ground yet to be nomin-

IRELAND HOLD WALES IN DRAWN GAME

Local International
Encounter

Worse conditions than those under which the Wales-Ireland International hockey tie was played could not be imagined. Held on the H.K.S.R.A. ground, at Chatham Road, and next to the sea, a cold driving wind swept a steady drizzle across the pitch and made the position for spectators quite untenable.

Despite the miserable conditions, the play was quite good and the keenness on both sides made up for the handicap of the slippery ground. The Irish team did very well to hold the highly-fancied Welch team to a goalless draw.

Outstanding for the Irish team were Capt. Ryland Lt. I. C. Harris and Rfm. Nolan, in the forward-line; and Lt. Wilson at right-back.

Wales were best served by Fus. Wheeler and Sig. Cox.

Ireland:—L/Cpl. Boyd (R.U.R.); Lt. Wilson (R.U.R.) and L/Cpl. Ray (R.E.); L/Cpl. Moore (R.U.R.), Rfm. Boston (R.U.R.), Sgt. Hayden (R.U.R.); Bugl. Stevens (R.U.R.), Rfm. Nolan (R.U.R.), Capt. Ryland (R.U.R.), Lt. I. C. Harris (R.U.R.) and Wall (Police).

Wales:—Fus. Reid; L/Corpl. Palmer and Fus. Wheeler; Fus. Jones, Corpl. Sharpe, Fus. Tucker; Sergt. Dandy (R.W.F.), Sign. Cox (R.C.S.), Fus. Vaughan, Captain Gwyder-Jones, and Fus. Roberts (R.W.F.). Reserves:—Sergt. Morgan (R.C.S.) and Fus. Connor (R.W.F.).

VARSLITY LADIES IN HOCKEY GAME WITH C. B. SCHOOL

Keen Encounter
Last Monday

An interesting hockey encounter took place last Monday evening when the University Ladies Hockey Club, a newly organised combination, entertained the Central British Schoolgirls "B" team and lost by the only goal of the match.

The teams were very evenly balanced, the Schoolgirls having the edge over their opponents in speed, but failed to break through the Varsity Ladies' sturdy defence until late in the game.

Miss R. Smalley was outstanding in the home team's centre-half berth, while Miss B. Lim and Miss J. Anderson gave the Schoolgirls defence many anxious moments.

GOOD PIVOT

The visitors were well-served by their centre-half and their left-winger, who scored the winning goal in the last minutes of the game when she cut in from the wing and flicked the ball past Miss L. Oliveira.

The encounter was played at a fairly fast pace, a good standard being maintained throughout.

England:—Benwell (Club); A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and Lt. Stileman (Navy); Spr. Brown (R. Engineers), Lt. Davies (Navy) and C. Parker (Police); S. A. Fowler (Club), G. H. Fowler (Club), Lt. Wright (Navy), Lt. Garthwaite (R.A.) and J. Pennell (Police).

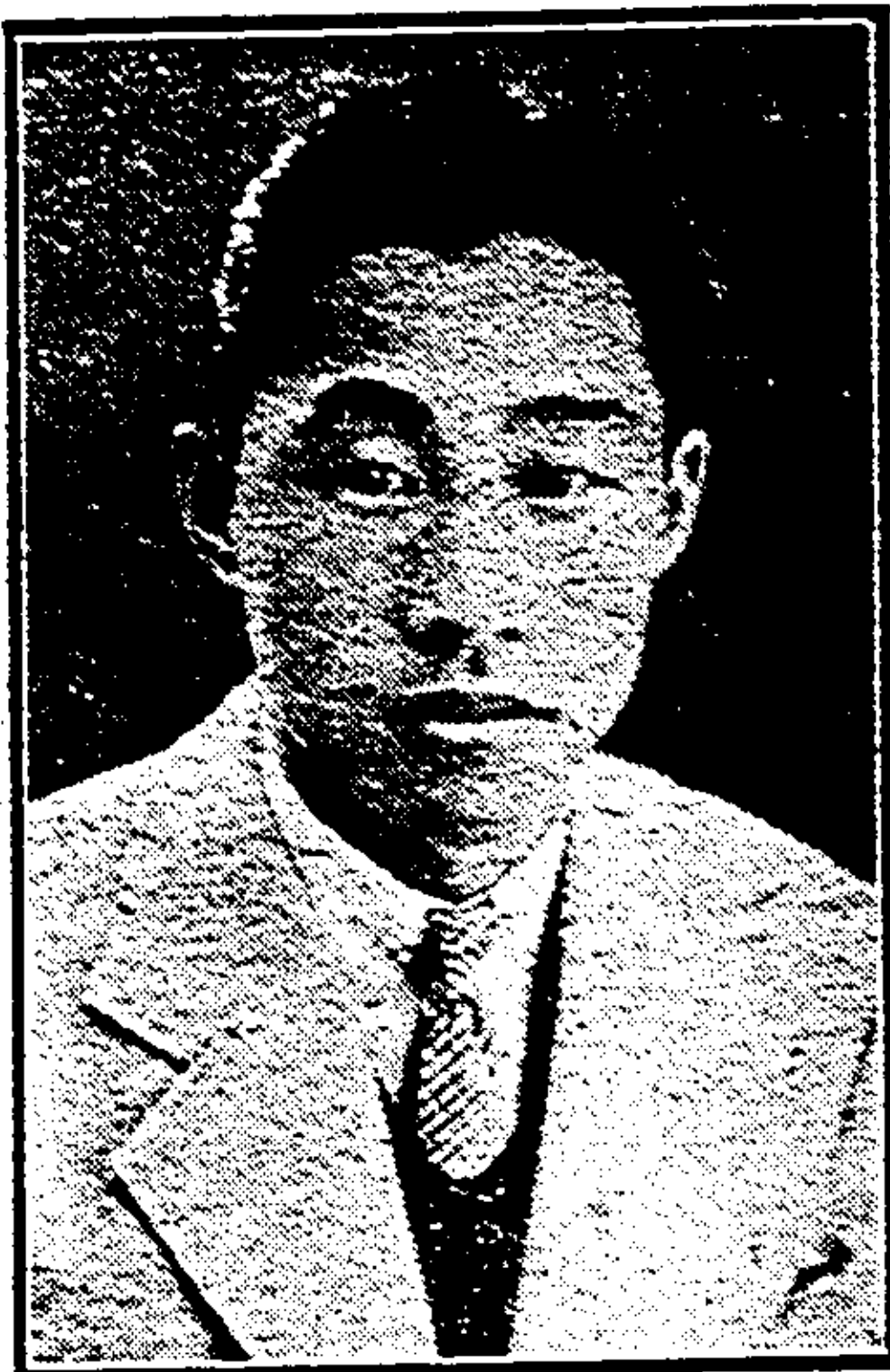
Scotland:—Spr. Howlett (R.E.); E. Henderson ("Y") and Lt. Douglas; Sgt. Meeks (Sea.), Capt. S. S. J. Ritchie (Sea.) and Cpl. Cunningham (Sea.); L/Cpl. Aberdeen (Sea.), Sgt. Dunn (Sea.), S. MacNider (C.B.A.), Austin ("Y") and E. MacNider (St. A.).

EASTERN SOCCER XI FOR MANILA

PARTY OF EIGHTEEN LEAVING COLONY ON APRIL 22

PHILIPPINE A.A.F. INVITATION ALSO ACCEPTED BY RIFLES

(By "REFEREE")



Tsui Hang, above, will captain the Eastern Athletic soccer team to visit Manila next month at the invitation of the P.A.A.F.

POOR WEATHER DURING TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

To-day's Doubles Encounters

HOWARD SHOULD BEAT HOLMES

(By "ADREM")

In view of the poor weather which has prevailed for the last fortnight and the sodden state of the Hong Kong C. C. ground, it appears very unlikely that any further progress will be made in the Colony Tennis championships this afternoon.

The most interesting game on to-day's programme is the Open Doubles encounter between the Chan brothers and Lt. Comdr. Rump and Lt. Ravenhill. The former pair, throughout the previous League season performed with great credit in the "C" Division, and together with the Hussain brothers, revealed themselves to be far above the standard of the majority of their opponents.

Comdr. Rump is new to local tennis, but his partner, Lt. Ravenhill, has been one of the mainstays of the U.S.R.C. for some time. This game should be a close affair and will probably take three sets to decide.

CHINESE FAVOURED

Rodrigues and Silva, who play H. P. Ong and J. Hsu, should form a good combination, but I do not think they will be able to win.

W. J. Howard, of Craigengower, on form, should have little difficulty in advancing to the next round of the singles at the expense of J. D. Holmes, of the U.S.R.C. Howard plays a good all-round game and boasts an excellent forehand drive.

In the only other championship match, Wong Shui-wing and Luk Ding-cheong should beat Y. N. Tam and S. Wong.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Open Singles
W. J. Howard v J. D. Holmes
Open Doubles
Lt. Com. Rump and C. Ravenhill v Chan Kam Moon and Chan Kam Hung
Luk Ding Cheong and Wong Shui Wing v Y. N. Tam and S. Wong
A. M. Rodrigues and L. A. Silva v H. P. Ong and J. Hsu
Club Championship Singles
V. R. Gordon v J. C. Pool
A. S. Bead v B. M. Wood
Club Handicap Singles
W. M. Barton (+1.6) v J. B. Collis (+15)
H. Owen Hughes (-15) v R. L. Withington (-3.6)
A. C. I. Bowker (Scr.) v T. C. Monaghan (-4.6)

EASTERN Athletic Association, who were only admitted to the First Division of the local League this season, but who more than justified their inclusion with several notable victories, have accepted the invitation of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation to send an Association Football team to Manila for a series of seven games during April and May.

THE INVITATION WAS ISSUED THROUGH MR. L. R. ILDEFONSO, LOCAL HON. SECRETARY OF THE FILIPINO CLUB, ORIGINALLY TO THE H.K.F.A., WHO DECLINED FOR OBVIOUS REASONS, AND LATER TO SEVERAL CLUBS AND MILITARY TEAMS. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE RIFLES, WHO ARE AT PRESENT AT THE TOP OF THE FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE, HAVE ALSO ACCEPTED THE INVITATION, BUT OWING TO THE CONGESTED STATE OF THEIR LEAGUE FIXTURES DURING APRIL, AND THE FACT THEY STAND AN EXCELLENT CHANCE OF WINNING THE CHAMPIONSHIP, THEY CAN ONLY MAKE THE TRIP IN MAY. THEY HAVE ACCEPTED UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND ARE NOW AWAITING A REPLY FOR THE P.A.A.F.

Dr. Y. Ylanan, of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation, in a letter to Mr. L. R. Ildefonso, states: "With regard to the series with the Eastern Athletic Association, please find out whether the team could arrive in Manila by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia on April 24, and play on April 25, 27, 29, and on May 1, 2, 4 and 9; and return by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada, leaving Manila on May 10."

Mr. M. Sabhan, who is managing the Eastern team, contemplates sending 16 players, a Secretary-Manager and a coach, who will leave the Colony on April 22 by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia.

PERMISSION WANTED

Eastern Athletic Association have written to the Hong Kong Football Association, asking for permission to make the tour and also for a rearrangement of their last two First Division League fixtures.

Among the Clubs who have lost to Eastern this season are South China "B", the Hong Kong Football Club, St. Joseph's, Royal Welch Fusiliers and the H.K. Police, while victories over them have been recorded by South China "A", the Royal Ulster Rifles and the East Lancashire Regiment.



J. M. Sabhan, above, will be Secretary-Manager of the Eastern Athletic soccer team to visit Manila next month.

The following is a series of short pen-sketches of players who will make the trip:—

Tsui Hang:—goalkeeper, and captain of the team, first played League soccer in 1930-31 for Canton Navy, the then champions of Canton. In 1931 he represented the Keenam University, Shanghai. In 1933-35 he represented China in the Shanghai International soccer series as custodian. In 1934 was China's reserve goalkeeper in Far Eastern Olympiad in Manila. Since then has played for Eastern and recently played against Shanghai Chinese for Hong Kong Chinese.

Lai Ting-choi:—Is a full-back and first played for South China A.A. from 1927-29, during which period he played for the Hong Kong Chinese against Singapore Chinese in Ho Ho Biscuit Trophy series. In 1936 he played for Combined Chinese against Army in Lai Wah Cup competition, and also for H. K. Chinese against East China last February.

J. M. Sabhan:—Left-winger, started to play in 1926. Formerly a member of the St. Joseph's team, which toured Manila in 1933. Hon. Sec. of the Eastern A.A.

Cheng Shui-hong:—Right-winger. Played for China in the 8th Far Eastern Olympic Games and for South China "A" in 1930-31 was a member of the Chinese team which toured Java in 1930 and Manila in 1931. Represented Hong Kong against Shanghai in 1931.

Ng Ying-kay:—Full-back, started football in 1926, and represented China this year in the Sunday Herald Charity Cup and Lai Wah Cup Competitions.

Cheung Kwok-chow:—Half-back, played for the Canton Navy team and was a member of the South China team which toured Java in 1931.

George Young:—An all-rounder, one of the members of the Java touring team (1931).

Tsang Chung-wan:—Half-back, played in the Lai Wah Cup competition this season.

Chan Ping-to:—A right-winger, has played with success in that position for Eastern A.A.

Sunz Linz-sing:—Inside-right, represented the Chinese team against Shanghai this season.

Han Sing-to:—Left-winger, a fast and tricky player.

Chan Chung-yin:—An inside-forward, has played since 1931.

gower all-rounder, received a pleasant surprise last Monday, when a Leslie Ames cricket bat was sent to him anonymously, with the compliments of the donor, presumably in appreciation of his excellent showing in recent matches. Souza is one of the Colony's coming cricketers.

TO-NIGHT'S BADMINTON ENCOUNTER

V.R.C. Should Beat Kowloon Tong "B"

A POSTPONED GAME

The postponed Badminton League fixture between Kowloon Tong "B" and the Victoria Recreation Club in the "B" Division, of the Men's Doubles, will be played off this evening.

As the latter's court has been condemned as unfit for League games, the match will be decided at Kowloon Tong.

The V. R. C. will probably carry off the honours, but they will be strongly extended by the opposition team, which will include N. Mackay, the Kowloon Tong "A" player.

TO-NIGHT'S TEAMS

Victoria R.C.:—W. Lawrence and M. de V. Soares, C. N. da Silva and S. A. Ramjahn, and A. J. Basto and A. O. Barretto.
Kowloon Tong "B":—C. D'Almada and J. A. de V. Soares, H. Chan and F. S. Koh, and N. Mackay and S. F. Smedley.

M.C.C. IN DRAWN MATCH WITH C. UNIVERSITIES

Hammond Scores Fine Century

Sydney, Yesterday.

Owing to bad weather conditions, the start of the M.C.C. and Combined Universities match was delayed until 2.30 p.m. and as a result the game ended in a draw.

Walter Hammond again proved the mainstay of his side and compiled a brilliant century, scored in 90 minutes, which included three sixes and 14 fours.

Chapman, for the Universities, was in fine form and scored a hurricane 57 in only 20 minutes, his best scoring strokes being two sixes and seven fours.

Scores:—

M.C.C.: 212 for 9 dec. (W. R. Hammond 103).

Combined Universities: 169 for 7 (Chapman 57).

ENCOURAGING YOUNG CRICKETERS

It is pleasant to know that some cricket enthusiast believes in encouraging the younger players. George Souza, the young Craigen-

NOVEL IDEA SUGGESTED TO SAVE COUNTIES

Cup Competition
For Cricket

CONSIDERATION
ASKED FOR

A Challenge Cup competition on the knock-out principle is the main proposal of a scheme, which has been submitted to several leading authorities in the game, for the salvation of county cricket, says Reuter. The desperate plight of many of the counties makes it imperative that every serious proposal should be considered with care and judged on its merits.

Briefly the scheme is that a Cup competition should be run in addition to the championship to be inaugurated in 1939, as in the 1938 season the Australians will be in England.

The gate receipts should be pooled and then shared. Each county would leave six dates in its fixture list open for Cup matches, actually only four would be needed, but allowances must be made for wet weather preventing even a result on the first innings.

ON 1ST INNINGS

Cup matches should be decided on the first innings if the match were not completed. One game would have to be played early in the season to eliminate the Seven teenth county. Then, the first round would be played early in June, semi-finals late in July and final in August.

In addition to this competition, it is proposed that the championship should revert to the points system, each club playing the same number of games. There is much to commend the scheme and county clubs faced with huge bank overdrafts would be advised to give it their earnest consideration.

A Challenge Cup competition, in addition to a league, has been run in Northern Ireland for many years, and the crowds have always been greatly enlarged by these Cup competitions. The M.C.C. have always been against Cup competitions, but the need for increased public interest in county cricket is so great that something drastic must be done.

BLUE ENSIGN FOR NAVAL YACHTSMEN

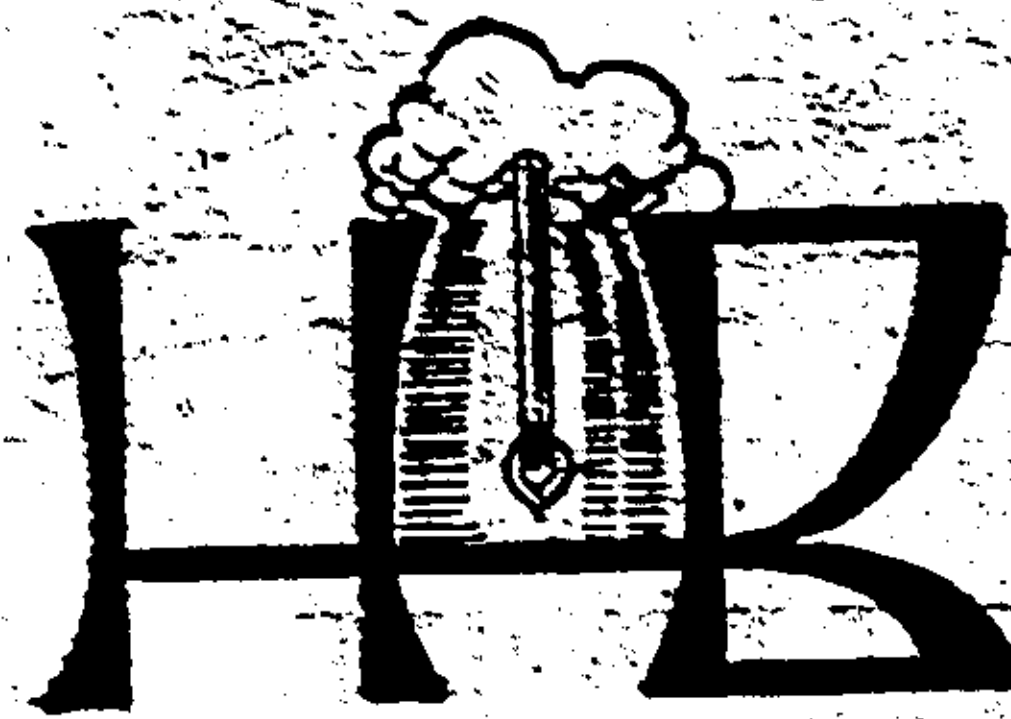
TEAM FOR KIEL
RACES

London, February 13.

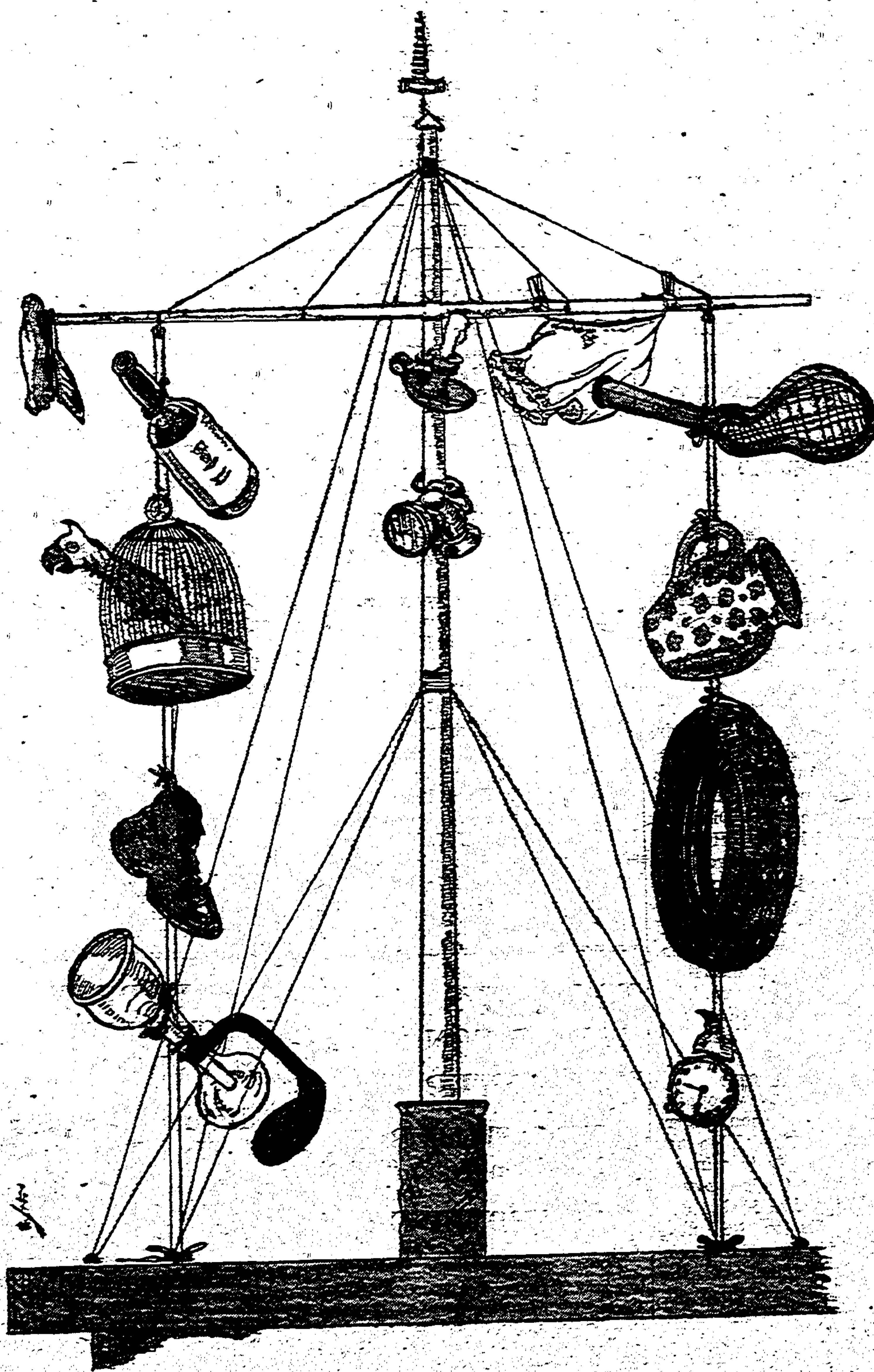
The Royal Navy Sailing Association has been granted the privilege of applying for warrants to fly the Blue Ensign of the Fleet in yachts belonging to its members. Admiralty Fleet Orders make this announcement.

For the second year in succession the association proposes to send a team representing the Royal Navy for the International Naval Cup Races to be held at Kiel from June 14 to 19. The races, open to all navies, are sailed in star-class yachts, and the event is run by the Marine-Regatta-Verein, the sailing association of the German Navy.

The competing team will be chosen from a series of eliminating races, which will be held at Portsmouth in April and at Barnham-on-Crouch in May.



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A. J. OSMUND RETAINS HIS TITLE

BILLIARDS FINAL
HELD AT K.C.C.

LAM CHA CHO NO MATCH

A. J. Osmund retained his Colony billiards title when he defeated Lam Cho-cha by 1,000 points to 606 in the Final of the Senior Division of the Open Billiards Championship, at the Kowloon Cricket Club last night.

The game started slowly and at the 150 mark Osmund was already 100 points ahead of his opponent, and it was almost an hour before Lam reached 100 with Osmund nearly 200 points in the lead.

At this stage, Lam was playing better and with breaks of 38 and 30 soon reached his 200 with Osmund 110 points ahead.

Lam gradually decreased the lead to a difference of 80 points, but Osmund, thanks to a break of 52 followed by a 41, took his score to 407 to establish a lead of 166 for the first session.

FOUR BREAKS

On resumption of play, Osmund made four breaks of over 50 and this placed him well ahead of Lam.

Lam made a great effort to reduce Osmund's lead and reached 606, but Osmund with three successive breaks of 50 ran out the winner.

At the conclusion of the match Mr. N. M. Rakusen, president of the Association, addressed the gathering in the following terms:

Gentlemen, — Before presenting the trophies to the respective prize-winners, I would like to take this opportunity of saying a few words on the activities of the Hong Kong Amateur Billiards Association. As you are aware, this Association has been responsible for the organising and running of the Senior and Junior Championships of the Colony, and I am sure that all will admit that the tournaments have been conducted in a manner satisfactory to everyone. For this, we are indebted, in no small measure, to our indefatigable Honorary Secretary, Mr. A. B. Hamson.

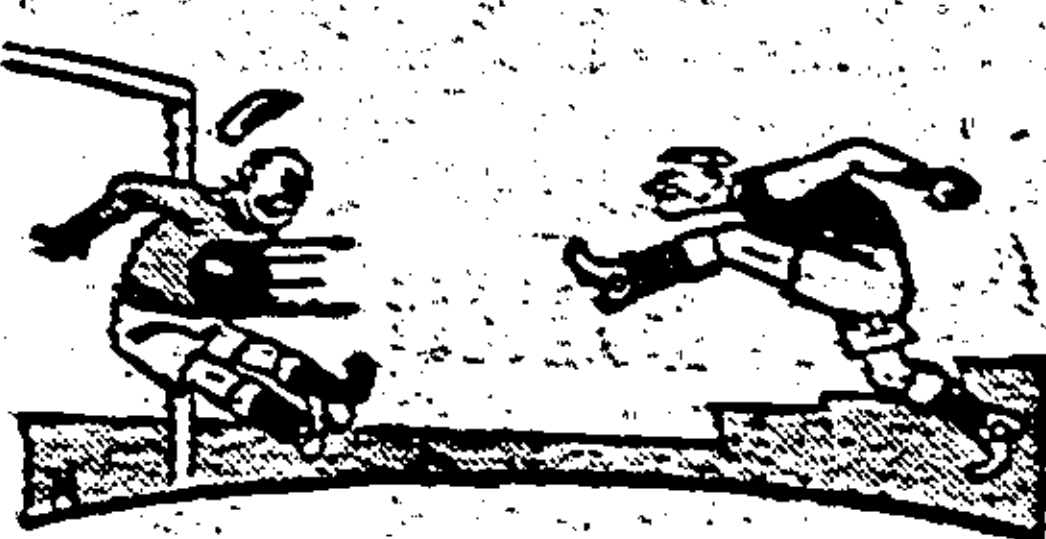
On behalf of the Association, I also wish to thank the various clubs who have kindly loaned the use of their tables for the playing of matches.

In congratulating the various prize-winners, it gives me great pleasure indeed to hand the Senior Championship Cup to Mr. Osmund, who has demonstrated once again that he is the best billiards player in Hong Kong. Mr. Lam has shown himself, by his steady play, to be a worthy runner-up.

THE JUNIOR FINAL

Although we have all enjoyed and appreciated the play to-night, I must say that the second part of the Junior Final last night, was one of the most enjoyable and thrilling games it has been my good fortune to witness. Whilst congratulating Mr. Antonio, the winner, on his fine play and record break of 77, I must mention the plucky fight of Mr. Lewis.

I must take this opportunity of asking all billiard players for more support — the Association cannot run these events without the necessary funds. Membership of the Association is only \$3 per year and entitles you to free entry in



LOCAL SOCCER FIXTURES FOR THE WEEK-END

Heavy Programme
Local Featured

The following are the local Football League fixtures for the week-end, giving the favoured teams in pronounced black type.

SATURDAY

Athletic	First Division
Kowloon	Club
Rifles	(Sookunpoo, 4.30 p.m.)
Eastern	Navy
South China	(Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.)
Athletic	Recreio
Kowloon	(Chatham Road, 4.30 p.m.)
Rifles	Police
Eastern	(Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.)
South China	Seafarths
Athletic	(Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.)
Kowloon	Club
Rifles	(Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
Eastern	Navy
South China	(Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)
Athletic	Stonecutters
Kowloon	(Chatham Road, 2.30 p.m.)
Rifles	Chinese Police
Eastern	(Causeway Bay, 2.45 p.m.)
South China	Seafarths
Athletic	(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)
Kowloon	Third Division
Rifles	Kwong Wah
Eastern	(Prince Edward Road, 2.45 p.m.)
South China	Recreio
Athletic	(King's Park, 2.45 p.m.)
Kowloon	Seafarths
Rifles	(Military, 4.30 p.m.)
Eastern	St. Joseph's
South China	(Prince Edward Road, 4.30 p.m.)

SUNDAY

Kowloon Chinese	First Division
Fusiliers	St. Joseph's
South China	(Club, 4.30 p.m.)
Fusiliers	South China "A"
Kowloon Chinese	(Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.)
Fusiliers	Second Division
Kowloon Chinese	Engineers
Fusiliers	(Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
Kowloon Chinese	Lyemun
Fusiliers	(Club, 2.45 p.m.)

NEW F. A. COUNCILLOR

Mr. W. O. C. Stuchbery (Maidenhead United) has been elected to the vacancy on the F. A. Council caused by the death of Mr. J. G. Stone.

the Championships and admittance to all the games. So I am sure that you will agree that, apart from the support you are giving the Association, you will be getting more than full value for this really small sum.

SNOOKER EVENT

We are at present inviting entries for a Colony Snooker Championship, and we hope that as this game is so popular, we will receive an excellent number of entries. We are indebted to Messrs. Burroughs and Watts, the well-known billiards table manufacturers, for a splendid challenge trophy which they have presented for this event.

It is also intended to organise a League during the coming season, but without the necessary support and funds, our activities must necessarily be curtailed.

The following were the prize winners:—

Senior Championship	Mr. A. J. Osmund
Senior Runner-up	Mr. Lam Cho-cha
Highest Break (Senior)	Mr. A. J. Osmund (154)
Junior Championship	Mr. L. V. Antonio
Junior Runner-up	Mr. A. A. Lewis
Highest Break (Junior)	Mr. L. V. Antonio (77)

GUNNERS AND SAPPERS IN DRAWN MATCH

Cricket Played In
Blinding Drizzle

BAKER SHINES WITH BALL

The two-day cricket match between the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers, played at the K.C.C. on Monday and yesterday, ended in a draw.

The Artillery scored 146 in their second innings, Sgt. Howe (27), Lt. Garthwaite (17), Lt. Marson (34), and L/Bdr. Summer (24) being the principal contributors. Spr. Bradford captured three wickets for 18.

The Sappers were seven runs in arrears with two wickets in hand when stumps were drawn, Q. M. S. Moreton being top-scorer with 36. Bdr. Baker took 4 for 21.

Most of the game was played in a blinding drizzle and worse conditions for cricket could not be imagined.

Royal Artillery—1st Innings	62
Bdr. Baker, b. Moreton	1
Sgt. Howe, lb.w., b. Bradford	27
Gnr. Chaplin, b. Hurst	6
Lt. Garthwaite, b. Eaton	17
Capt. Michell, st. Warr, b. Collins	6
Lt. Marson, b. Bradford	34
L/Bdr. Miles, c. Moreton, b. Barron	2
L/Bdr. Summer, b. Barron	24
Bdr. Bancroft, b. Bradford	5
Gnr. Marshall, not out	1
Gnr. Latham, b. Barron	4
Extras (B17, LB2)	19
Total	146

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Barron	17	3	52	3
Moreton	9	4	12	1
Hurst	4	0	22	1
Bradford	6.5	1	18	3
Collins	8	1	21	1
Eaton	3	2	2	1

SECOND INNINGS

Royal Engineers—1st Innings	100
Sgt. Daniels, run out	14
Q. M. S. Moreton, b. Latham	36
S/Sgt. Collins, b. Baker	9
S/Sgt. Goodger, lb.w., b. Baker	4
C. Q. M. S. Eaton, b. Latham	5
Cpl. Hurst, lb.w., b. Latham	8
Cpl. Shipp, c. Bancroft, b. Baker	1
Spr. Hoddinott, c. and b. Baker	5

TARLETON OUTPOINTS FRANK HARSEN

Frenchman Down For
Count In Seventh

London, February 12.
Nel Tarleton (Liverpool), the former British feather-weight champion, outpointed Frank Harsen (France) over 12 rounds at Liverpool Stadium last night.

Tarleton, although he seemed to tire, gave a good display of defensive boxing, and was always the more accurate in his punching against an aggressive two-handed fighter. Harsen's right eyebrow was cut in the third round, and he went down for a count at the end of the seventh round.



Lt. Barron, not out	2
Q. M. S. Warr, not out	12
Extras (B2, LB2, NB1)	5

Total (8 wickets) 101

Spr. Bradford did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Michell	6	0	18	0
Garthwaite	7	1	15	0
Latham	11	2	42	3
Baker	9	0	21	4

Garthwaite bowled one no-ball.

F. A. BAN ON RUSSIA TOURS

The F.A. refuse to sanction tours by English clubs to Soviet Russia until the authorities in that country join the International Federation. This decision was made known when Blackpool F.C., having been invited to visit Russia, asked the F.A. for advice.

SUSSEX C. C. SUSTAIN LOSS LAST YEAR

Although membership increased by 193, the Sussex County Cricket Club showed a loss of £1,994 on last season. Donations have reduced this to £1,339.



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GENERAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Power of Attorney dated the 29th day of March, 1934 given by Mr. Chau Man-chee otherwise Chau Man Chi to Mr. Mok Tat Huen to manage the Imports and Exports Department of the firm of Chau Yue Teng of China Building has by Deed dated the 6th day of March, 1937, been revoked.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 13th March, 1937, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN.
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1937.

COMPANY MEETINGS

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, on TUESDAY, 23rd March, 1937, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1936.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 9th March to 23rd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937

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THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th February to 11th March, 1937, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of The Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 18th February, 1937.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company-2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, 22nd March, 1937, at Noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from 12th to 22nd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 25th March 1937, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th March 1937, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
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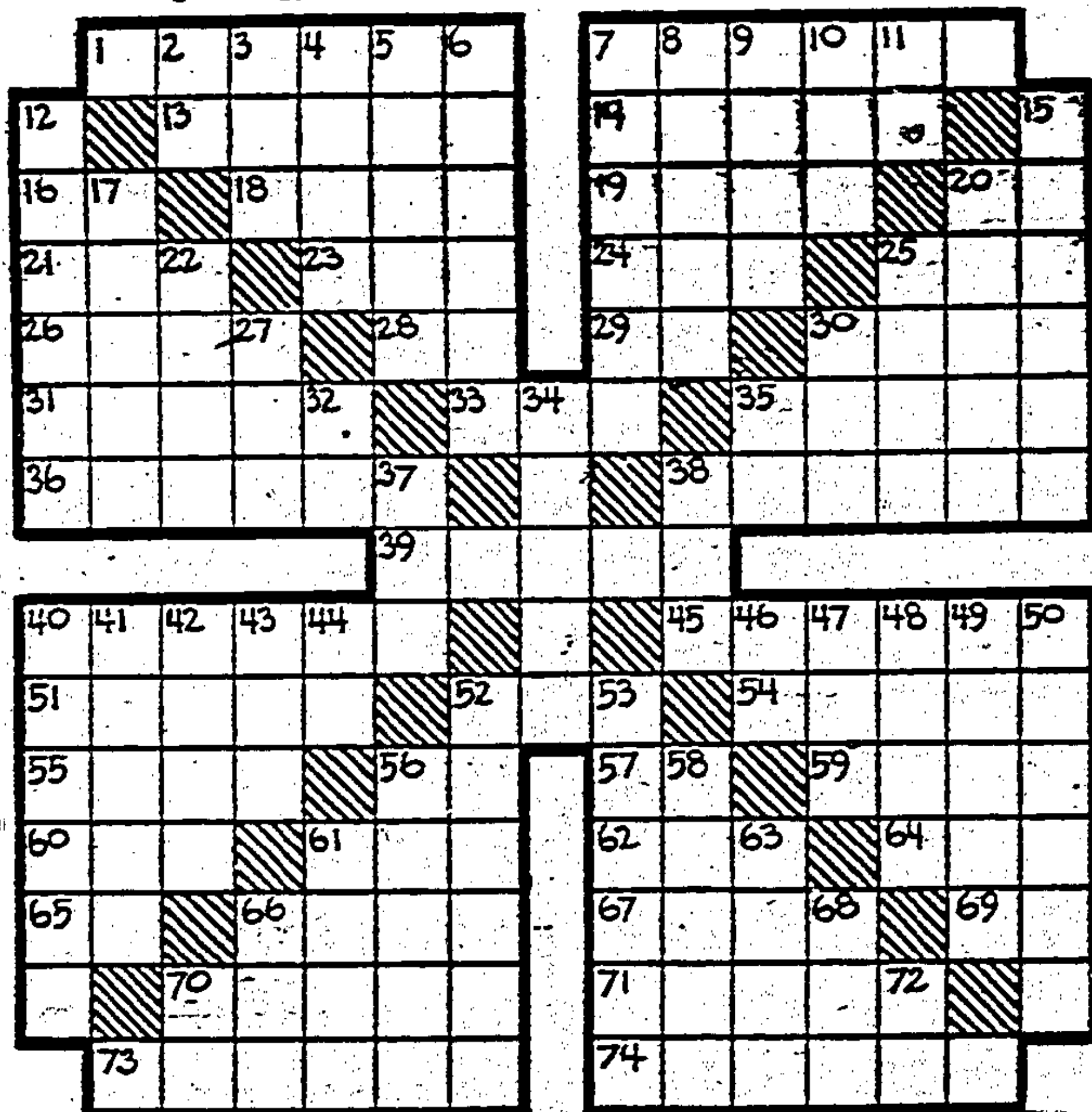
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Clever
- 7-Assisted
- 13-Strong admirer
- 14-Without delay
- 16-Negative
- 18-Eat
- 19-Combining form. Five
- 20-South latitude (abbr.)
- 21-Mischievous child
- 23-Grassy meadow
- 24-Suffix. Footed
- 25-Definite article
- 26-Afternoon parties.
- 28-Weight (abbr.)
- 29-Comparative suffix
- 30-Surface
- 31-The heron
- 33-Japanese coin
- 35-Sea
- 36-Cotton fabric with a glossy surface.
- 38-Burles
- 39-Gigantic hunter (Gr. Myth.)
- 40-Dimmed
- 45-Distant star-cluster
- 51-Small bays
- 52-Marsh
- 54-Fatigues
- 55-Ajar
- 56-The (Sp.)
- 57-Near by

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 59-Military signal
- 60-Over (cont.)
- 61-A thoroughfare (abbr.)
- 62-Combining form. Far
- 64-The sheltered side
- 65-Paid (abbr.)
- 66-Escaped
- 67-One
- 69-Royal Navy (abbr.)
- 70-Cant.
- 71-Wanders
- 73-Not dense
- 74-Power

VERTICAL

- 2-Forty
- 3-Seed covering
- 4-Wrong-doing
- 5-Reclaim
- 6-Gives pleasure to
- 7-Occur
- 8-Turkish official
- 9-Soil
- 10-Deep hole
- 11-Half an em
- 12-Joins
- 15-Scours
- 17-A greek letter
- 20-Clip
- 23-Segment
- 3-Large plant
- 7-Look
- 32-Perform

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 32-Tellurium (abbr.)
- 34-The choice part of society
- 35-Upon
- 37-Bow the head
- 38-Tavern
- 40-Shovel-like implement (pl.)
- 41-Trusted
- 42-Affirm
- 43-Lair
- 44-Plural suffix
- 46-And (Lat.)
- 47-Small particle
- 48-Mountains between Europe and Asia
- 49-One afflicted with a dread disease
- 50-Agree
- 52-Furnish with feathers
- 53-Character
- 56-Equals
- 58-Part of a carpenter's joint
- 61-Wing-shaped
- 63-Exist
- 66-Southern State of United States (abbr.)
- 68-Territory (abbr.)
- 70-A country of Europe (abbr.)
- 72-Specific Gravity (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

BOY SCOUT JAMBOREE

NO INVITATION TO
HITLER YOUTH

ILL-FEELING NOW
AROUSING

Berlin, To-day.

London headquarters of the Boy Scouts' Association has declined to invite the German Hitler Youth organisation to send a delegation to the forthcoming Jamboree which is being held in the Netherlands.

Vice-Admiral Rambonnet, the Netherlands organising director of the Jamboree appointed by Lord Baden-Powell, has resigned his post, apparently in connexion with the refusal.

An announcement by the Hitler Youth organisation yesterday says that "considerable ill-feeling has been aroused by the fact that London headquarters have sent invitations to the German confessional and non-sectarian youth groups, which are no longer recognised in Germany."

The statement concluded by saying that even if the Hitler Youth organisation is invited to attend the Jamboree, it will refuse unless the invitations to other German youth groups are withdrawn. — Trans-Ocean.

FAMED AIR CHIEF LIVING IN SECLUSION

Berlin, To-day.

One of Germany's most famous War-time airmen is celebrating his seventieth birthday on the lonely island of Sylt, north of Heligoland.

He is General Hermann Thomsen, organiser of the German air force during the war.

It was General Thomsen who predicted at the beginning of the War that heavier than air machines would prove superior to the Zeppelin.

He organised the famous Richthofen squadron and was mainly responsible for Germany's monthly production of 2,000 aeroplanes.

He was in active service until 1923, when he lost his eyesight as a result of an accident.

Since then the blind air chief has been living almost in seclusion on his isolated little island. — Trans-Ocean.

CIVIL AVIATION ON CONTINENT

Berlin, To-day.

A civil aviation agreement will, it is hoped, be signed shortly between Germany and Czechoslovakia.

The Czech Government commission arrived here yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

BIG PLANS FOR MURMANSK

Berlin, To-day.

Vast development projects in the White Sea district around the city of Murmansk are being planned by the Soviet, says the Moscow correspondent of the "Angriff."

In three years, he says, the population of the town will be increased from the present total of 25,000 to 250,000. — Trans-Ocean.

Miss Madge Griffiths, the well-known K.C.C. tennis player, is leaving to-day for home in the "Sarpedon."

Mussolini's Trip To Libya

Rome, To-day.

Signor Mussolini left Naples yesterday on an Italian cruiser on his fortnight visit to Libya.

His large retinue included members of the German trade delegation, which is at present studying Italian economic conditions, as well as the Mayor of Frankfurt.

The Duce will land on Friday at Tobruk, some 200 miles from the Egyptian frontier, where he will be received by Marshal Balbo, Governor-General of Libya.

Following the naval manoeuvres of the Italian fleet off Tobruk, at which he will be present, Signor Mussolini will make a four-day automobile tour of the new 1,500-mile strategic highway in Libya extending to the Tunis frontier.

He then plans to fly to Tripoli to open the Fair there, after which he will make a 900-mile trip into the desert. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW GERMAN LAW CAUSES CONJECTURE

Berlin, To-day.

Far-reaching powers have been granted to the Minister of the Interior by a law adopted by the Cabinet, authorising retaliatory measures against the subjects of foreign States and their property in the event of that State penalising Reich subjects. Conjecture is active over the object of the new law. It is believed to be designed to counteract the expropriation of Germans abroad and to provide a weapon against the arrest of Germans in Russia. — Reuter.

CUT BILGE PIPES ON SHIP IN DOCK

For the theft of 10 pounds of lead pipe and two pounds of brass pipe, valued at \$25, from Taikoo Dock, Tsang On, was this morning sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. W. Schofield.

Inspector O'Connor said defendant was seen in the s.s. Lyemun, cutting the bilge pipes. Serious damage might have been done to the ship.

GOLF COURSE DAMAGE

Chan Muk was this morning sentenced to two months' hard labour and to pay \$25 or serve another month for damaging the fairway on the Deep Water Bay Golf Course by digging for cables.

Sub-Inspector Dredge said that at 4 a.m. on March 3 four club boys on the look-out, saw two men digging up the course. Defendant, attempting to escape, fell and was injured and had been in hospital.

Government Ownership Of Mines Planned

London, To-day.

In connection with a Government proposal to secure unification of coal royalties as part of a general programme for the rationalisation of the coal industry, negotiations which have been proceeding for considerable time with the royalty owners have broken down.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer last night announced in the House of Commons, the appointment by agreement between the parties of a

SLASHING ATTACK ON COURT ROOSEVELT'S ADDRESS

NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

"WE CANNOT YIELD OUR CONSTITUTIONAL DESTINY TO THE PERSONAL JUDGMENT OF A FEW MEN WHO, BEING FEARFUL OF THE FUTURE, WOULD DENY US THE NECESSARY MEANS OF DEALING WITH THE PRESENT."

It was in these words that President Roosevelt opened his "fireside" broadcast on his judiciary reform plans over a "national hook-up" last night.

Recovery, he stated, was speeding up to a point where the dangers of 1929 were again becoming possible.

"We are at a crisis in our inability to proceed to protect ourselves against catastrophe," he said.

During the past four years, the Supreme Court had abandoned the sound rule of giving statutes the benefit of all reasonable doubt.

The Court had been acting not as a judicial body but as a policy making body.

NOT THE COURT BUT THE PEOPLE IN IT

"The difficulty does not arise from the Court as an institution but from the human beings within it."

"My proposal will not infringe in the slightest American civil and religious liberties."

"I give a solemn assurance that in a world where Democracy is under attack, I am seeking to make Democracy succeed." — Reuter.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone has moved eastward to N. Japan, and appears to have merged into another which has developed over Manchuria; a depression covers Tongking. Forecast:—E. and S.E. winds, moderate; cloudy generally with fog in morning.

Mr. F. P. Franklin, manager of the Hong Kong Telegraph, and Mrs. Franklin, accompanied by their children, left to-day, for a six months' holiday at home. They are travelling to Singapore on the s.s. Sarpedon. There they will board the East Asiatic vessel Meonia, which will take them to London.

A committee meeting was held by the Central British Association in their clubhouse at King's Park last evening when it was decided to hold a dance very shortly. Because of the large attendance at the last dance, arrangements will be made for a larger hall for the coming function.

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The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, has received a telegram from the Head Office in London advising that at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders a Final Dividend of 6 per cent on the "A" "B" and "C" shares will be recommended (making 12 per cent. for the year less Income Tax) £20,000 — written off Landed and House property, \$25,000 — Contingency a/c. \$172,000 — carried forward to 1937 account.

PEERAGE FOR MR. MACDONALD TOO?

London, To-day.

It is now definitely, though unofficially stated, that the Premier, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, will retire immediately after Whit-Sun.

It is presumed the date will be about May 26, as the Premier's engagement list for the preceding week is full, including a dinner with the King and Queen on May 25.

Political correspondents suggest that Mr. Baldwin will take an earldom, while Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, Lord President of the Council, may also go to the House of Lords.

It is taken for granted that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, will be Britain's next Premier.

Some uncertainty over his successor at the Exchequer exists, however, both Sir Samuel Hoare, First Lord of the Admiralty, and Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, being mentioned as possible Chancellors. — Reuter.

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VAST SLUM CLEARANCE PROGRESSING

London, To-day.

The continued progress of the Government's slum clearance and rehousing campaign is shown in the returns for January and February respectively.

During February, local authorities cleared areas comprising 5,088 houses, representing a displacement of 21,401 persons, compared with 4,236 houses and the displacement of 16,787 persons in January.

The total number of houses under condemnation is now 131,000, involving the displacement of 566,148 persons.

As to construction, at the end of January there were 58,140 houses under construction, compared with 56,549 at end of December while 5,761 houses were completed during January, compared with 5,450 during December. — British Wireless.

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